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Sundries	"	2,31,133	5 2
Total	Rs.	1,36,63,772	14 0

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Loans, Bills, Advances	"	1,11,01,222	4 9
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BANKS.

	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divid.	Cash Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	12 pr. ct.	1,470
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,345
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	10 pr. ct.	1,270
Commercial & Ld. Mge	{15,000 / 15,000}	100	{100 / 75}	10 p.c.	169
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	108,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct.	80
Charter Bank	240,000	£20	£20	7 pr. ct.	£27
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	80,000	$125	all	£1-5s.	£44 to 45
National Bank of India	40,000	£33	£12½	8 pr. ct.	300

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

				Half yearly	
Alliance	1,500	1,000	all	20	(320 xd
Anglo-Indian	1,345	100	100	Nil	50
Bellary S & W Co, Ld (Bellary)	871	60	all	9 per ct.	38
Bombay Unitad	900	1,000	1,000	35	1750 xd
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co	900	500	500	30	495
Bombay National Manfg. Co, Ld	500	1,000	1,000	...	710
Britannia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	450
Central India	1,000	500	500	60	1,510
China Mills Co Ld	800	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.40	710
City of Bombay Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.40	915
Coimbatore S and W	1,000	100	100	...	110
Connaught Mills	800	500	500	25	675
Colaba Land & Mills	4,000	700	...	25×Rs15	690 xd
Coorla Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.50	640
Currimbhoy Mill	800	1,000	1,000	40	750
David Mill	1,400	500	500	dvdRs.25	465
Dhun Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	50	42
Empress	2,100	500	500	dvd 25	570
Framjee Petit	1,250	1,000	1,000	Nil	520
Hindustan	875	1,000	1,000	30	695
Hisgunghat Manfg. Co	700	500	500	40	860
Howard and Bullough	1,500	500	500	25	680
Hydershad	700	1,000	1,000	30	1,275
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500	dvdRs.30	455
Indian Manfg.	900	1,000	1,000	50	1,275 xd
Indo-China Manufacturing Co, Ld	700	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.30	500
James Greaves	1,100	500	500	25	680
Jaffer Alli	900	500	500	Nil	225
Jamshed Manufacturing Co	1,800	250	250	dvdRs.10	190
Jewraz Baloo	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.40	1,000 xd
Jubilee Mills Co, Ld	600	1,000	1,000	20	375
Khandesh	750	1,500	1,000	dvd Rs30	740
Khatau Makanji Manfg. Co	400	250	250	Nil	900
Khatau Makunjee	1,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs.50	1,040
Maharaja United	350	1,000	1,000	100	980
Mahaluxmee	600	1,000	1,000	N	325
Mahboob Shah Mills (Guzerat)	3,400	500	500	15 pr ct	
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	1,000	dv Rs100	2,275
Manogon	5,000	250	250	dvd Rs 6	120
Moraji Goculdas	1,050	1,000	1,000	dvdRs7½	2,220 xd
Mysore S & M Co Ld	4,000	{250 / 50}	{250 / 50}	dvd 4½	...
Madura Mills	7,779	100	100	Nil	par
National	960	1,000	1,000	Nil	110
New Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	1,000	Rs 25	550
Oriental	5,795	625	625	Rs 22½	435
Prem of Bombay Mills Co (Ld)	743	1,000	1,000	40	1,385
Queen Mills	800	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.50	725
Ripon Mills	600	1,000	1,000	dvdRs.50	1,000 xd
Sassoon	1,500	1,000	1,000	dvdRs60	1,335 xd
Sholapore Mills	500	1,000	1,000	50	1,510
Soonderdas	750	1,000	1,000	dvd 50	825
Southern India	1,000	500	500	15	115
Southern Mahratta	1,219	250	250	dvRs12½	382½
Sun Mills, Ld	1,300	250	250	dv Rs 15	200
Star of India	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil	370
Swadeshi Mills	475	500	500	dvd Rs15	640
Sassoon and Alliance	2,000	90	500	dvdRs30	860
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co	900	1,000	1,000	50	850
Venkateshwar Lukhmidas Khimji Cotton Mill Co, Ld	7900	500	900	15	500
Victoria Mills	2550	1,000	1,000	Nil	375
Western India	1,200	1,000	1,000	35	630
Wadia Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	...	200
Union Mills Ld	900	1,000	1,000	...	505

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

				guar.	
G I P R. Consolidated Stock	...	£100	all	5 p. c.	2,800
B.B. & C. I. R.	...	£ 18	...	do.	520

PRESS COMPANIES.

				Yearly	
Akbar	200	1,250	1,250	75	1,375
Albert Ginning Co	100	500	all	18 pr. ct.	450
Albert (Kurrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	90	1,200
Bellary	167	1,000	1,000	dvd 14 x	225
Bhowuggur City Press & Manfg Co, Ld	550	250	250	25	147½
Bombay Cotton Broel's Cawnpore Press Co., Ld	4,000	125	125	dv Rs12½	150xd
Broach Press Co, Ld	500	200	200	14	140
Colaba	600	200	200	12	190
East India	1,500	1,888	1,880	dvdRs15	325 xd
English Press and Mandvi	850	1,000	1,000	75	1,145
Fort	400	200	...	dvd Rs 6	84 xd
French	150	8,500	500	25+30	1,025
Gujarat	300	500	500	dvd Rs30	510 xd
Harvey and Sahapathy	450	450	500	30	43
Hingoll Press Co., Ld	700	100	100	dvd Rs11	125
Khangaum	240	450	450	30	480
Mahrya Press Co, Ld	200	200	all	15 pr. ct.	250
Mahmadpura Cotton G. and P. Co, Ld	300	900	500	53	120
Mercantile	1,000	125	125	dvd Rs 4	97½xd
Mofussil Co	8,125	400	400	Nil	345
Munimar M	1,000	250	all	15	160
New Berar	1,200	500	500	dvd Rs30	49 xd
New Indian	4,000	125	125	dvd Rs 9	126½
Prince of Wales	100	500	500	25	460
Sabapathy (Bellary)	500	500	75	20	480
Sassoon	500	500	500	20	685
Sind and Punjab Co	100	1,000	1,000	200	2,225
Sind	400	2,000	750	50	550
Sorab Woollen Mills	1,200	250	250	Nil	90
Surat City Press Co., Ld	370	200	all	16	200
Volkart	...	1,000	1	9 dvd Rs65	11,050 xd

MISCELLANEOUS

				Yearly	
Alcock Ashdown	1,750	100	100	15 ; 74	365
Back Bay Baths	580	50	50	12	40
Badhan Pile Co	3,000	100	100	10	2134
Bombay & Burma Trading Corporation	1,800	2,500	1,500	300	5,300
Do. New Issue	500	375	625	75	1,420
Bombay Ice Mfg. Co., Ld.	1,350	100	100	dvd 1½	60
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld	600	500	500	5 pr. ct.	500
Bombay Flour Mill	220	500	500	50	1,660
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000	500	500	5 pr. ct.	220
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills	1,500	200	200	15	220
Dehli Cloth & General Mills Co. Ld	2,500	250	250	8 pr. ct.	340
Indian Guarantee & Surety Ship Assn	5,000	100	10	16 pr. ct.	17
John Roberts & Co	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	140
Kamp & Co	4,000	200	175	21	255
Karachi Landing	500	500	300	30	200
Maharance Ice Manufacturing Co	3,500	100	100	Nil	...
Marcks & Co., Ld	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs15	155
Napier Hotel Co	2,000	100	100	9 pr. ct.	92
Napier Foundry	1,000	100	200	...	60
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance	5,000	200	50	10 pr. ct.	1624 xd
Phillips & Co., Ld	4,000	100	100	4	104
Port Canning Co	5,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs32	495
Soundy & Co	1,000	100	100	9	50
Treasher & Co	2,000	500	25	80	1,105
Thacker & Co.	1,500	100	100		113
Telephone Co	9,200	25	100	dvdRs15	27½

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Kaptan Gold	Rs.	37-13	Nom.
Gold Leaf	,,	28	/-
Fine Bar Gold, old	,,	27-80	,,
Do. do. new	,,	27-6	,,
Australia bar Gold	,,	27-11	,,
Straits bar Gold	,,	27-80	,,
Sovereigns	,,	17-24	,,
Do. Dragons	,,	17-24	,,
Silver T	,,	86	,,
Do. 3/4	,,	86-8	,,

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Municipal Corporation, 3 p.m.
Sale of fancy articles, Zenana Medical Mission, Girls' School, Girgaum.
Y. M. C. A., Week of Prayer—Meetings every morning at Apollo Bunder, at 7-15; and Grant Road Branch, at 7.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer Naderi entered the dock on Tuesday, and the steamer Bombay yesterday; the steamers Clan Gordon, Deepdale, Hoseinee, and Ehrenfels left it on Tuesday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Madura entered and the steamer City of Edinburgh left the dock on Tuesday.

ARRIVAL.—His Highness the Maharaja of Kolhapore, accompanied by his staff and seventy-three followers, arrived in Bombay from Poona on Tuesday evening, and is at present staying in a bungalow at Tardeo Road.

A REQUIEM MASS.—To-morrow (Friday), at 7 a.m., there will be a Requiem High Mass and Office for the Dead, in the Cathedral of N. S. de Esperanca, Kalbadevie, for the repose of the soul of the late Very Rev. Canon N. S. Fialho, Vicar-General of the Archdiocese of Goa.

THE BOMBAY EAST INDIAN LITERARY SOCIETY.—A paper will be read, this evening, at 5-45, before the above Society at the office of Mr. B. W. Pathuck, Tamarind Lane, Fort, by Mr. J. L. Britto, J. P., on "The causes of the backward condition of the East Indian community."

INFRINGING THE PORT REGULATION.—Raghu Hari and two other native owners of boats were, yesterday, brought up at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. W. Webb, Third Presidency Magistrate, and charged with anchoring their boats in the fairway harbour without the regulation tights. The magistrate fined the accused Rs. 12 each.

THE VURJERVANDASS MADHOWDASS CHARITABLE DISPENSARY AT SION.—During the month of October last the total number of patients treated in the dispensary was 2,318, among whom the number of new admissions was 556, classified as below:—Hindus 438, Mussalmans 59, Parsees 5, Christians 49, and other classes, 5. The average daily attendance was 74·7.

THE HOSPITAL FOR ANIMALS:—On the first of October last there were 93 bullocks, 39 horses, and 12 dogs at the Bai Sakarbai Dinshaw Petit Hospital for Animals at Parel. During the month 81 bullocks, 46 horses, and 32 dogs were admitted, and during the same month 70 bullocks, 42 horses, and 16 dogs were discharged from the hospital. Five cases among bullocks, 5 cases among horses, and 11 cases among dogs proved fatal. The undermentioned animals were treated as out-patients during the month:—16 horses, 4 bullocks, 27 dogs, 2 parrots, 1 deer, 2 cats, 2 she-goats, and 2 kine.

DEATH FROM TETANUS.—A coroner's inquiry was held, yesterday, at the J. J. Hospital, on view of the body of a Mahomedan weaver, named Alla-ud-din Makdoom, aged forty-five, residing at Falkland Road. On the 8th instant the deceased, while going down the staircase in his house, missed a step and fell on the landing, sustaining injury to his head. Three days afterwards deceased was found by a friend lying unconscious in his house, suffering from tetanus, and was conveyed to the J. J. Hospital, where he died on Tuesday evening. A verdict of death from tetanus was returned by the jury.

THE SPECULATORS AGAIN.—Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. W. Webb, Third Presidency Magistrate, Constable Patterson charged Vullabhdas Govindji, and sixteen other speculators, with being disorderly in a public place. The speculators were striking bargains in their usual way, assembling in a large crowd and shouting out loudly. They have been found a source of obstruction and nuisance to the public, and in spite of oft-repeated caution from the police they continued the avocation in their own fashion. Shaik Memon Street, where the accused were obstructing the traffic, is a very narrow one, and the traffic there is enormous. The police were, therefore, compelled to set an example in the matter. The magistrate convicted the whole of the accused, and fined them Rs. 10 each.

ATTEMPTED SALE OF THE VICTORIA ROLLER FLOUR MILL.—Yesterday afternoon, Messrs. Mehrjee, Johnston and Co., auctioneers, put up to sale by public auction, on the premises, at Grant Road, the property of the Victoria Roller Flour Mill, containing the land, buildings, and out-houses, known as the Royal or Bombay Theatre, and all the buildings, sheds, and other erections standing thereon, admeasuring 4,364 square yards, etc. The sale commenced at 4-30 p.m., with a bid of Rs. 1,10,000 by Mr. Shaik Adam Essoofbhoy, and rose by bids of Rs. 5,000 each to the amount of Rs. 1,45,000. The bids were then lowered to Rs. 1,000 each, and the highest bid mounted up to Rs. 1,50,000, at which figure the property was bought in, the sale having been subject to a reserved bid by the owner, Mr. Framjee Sorabjee Bharucha. There was a large attendance of intending purchasers, consisting of Europeans, Hindus, Mahomedans, and Parsees.

ROBBING A FELLOW-ACTOR.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Constable Parrett charged Gopal Kooshaba, lately an actor in a theatrical company, before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, with theft of brass pots and pieces of wearing apparel, of the aggregate value of Rs. 25-8, the property of Vithal Trimbuck, residing at the 6th Lane, Khetwady. Complainant and accused were formerly on the staff of a now defunct theatrical company, and are at present without any employment. They resided in the same house, but in different rooms. During the night of the 22nd August last while complainant was asleep accused entered his room, and having removed the property mentioned in the charge absconded from Bombay. A report was made to the police, but accused was not to be found until the 10th instant, when he was arrested at Poona and brought down to Bombay. He then pointed out several Marwarees, from whom the stolen property was recovered. Accused pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment.

THEFT BY A FELLOW-TENANT.—Before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Constable Wheatley placed a Hindu, named Succaram Ganoo, on two separate charges of theft of property, consisting of wearing apparel and ornaments, of the aggregate value of Rs. 70, belonging to Luximon Cassiram and Bhawansing Jalamsing, both residing at Comercarry. It appears that accused and the complainants resided in the same house, but on different floors. On the 18th August last complainant, Luximon, who occupied the first floor of the house, missed a silk saree and some other clothing from the verandah of his room, but he made no report about it to the police. At the beginning of the last week of October the second complainant, Bhawansing, who is a guard in the G. I. P. Railway, locked the door of his room and went on duty. During his absence accused opened the lock on the door with a duplicate key, and having forced open two wooden boxes, carried away ornaments and wearing apparel, which he subsequently pledged with Marwarees. On the 2nd instant Bhawansing's brother, who also resided in the same house, finding his brother's room open and the boxes rifled, made a report to the police, and pointed out the accused as the "suspected thief." The police arrested accused on the following day, and recovered all the property from different Matwarees at Kalbadevie Road. He was convicted and sentenced to an accumulated term of nine months' imprisonment with hard labour.

SPORTING.

BOMBAY (FIRST EXTRA) MEETING, 1895.

FURTHER POSTPONEMENT.

OWING to the course not yet being fit, the races advertised for the 16th and 23rd November will now take place on the 23rd and 30th November.

The entries for the first day's races will close on Wednesday, the 20th November, and those for the second day, on Wednesday, the 27th November.

TOM LE MESURIER,
Honorary Secretary, W. I. T. C.

THE forthcoming *Nineteenth Century* contains Mr. Gladstone's article on Bishop Butler and his Consors, Mr. Herbert Spencer's criticism of Lord Salisbury on Evolution, and Swinburne's poem "Trafalgar Bay."

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white or falling off, use "The Mexican Hair Renewer, for it will positively restore in every case, Grey or White hair to its Original colour without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful, as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots, where the glands are not decayed. Ask your Chemists for "The Mexican Hair Renewer, sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere at 3s. 6d. a bottle.—Wholesale Depots, 19, Harrington Road, London, England.

STOCKS, SHARES AND TRADE.

THE Calcutta commercial correspondent of the "Pioneer" writes:—Interest has very largely centred, during the week on the political situation at home, and its effect upon commerce. The drop in consols on Tuesday was especially disconcerting as it occurred immediately after the Cabinet Council; and the further decline of 1 per cent that has since occurred, making the quotation 105 5-8, has naturally created still greater unrest in the markets here. The total fall in consols since the reappearance of the Eastern Question, just a fortnight ago, is exactly 1½ per cent and it is many years since the stock received such a shock from political causes in so brief a space of time In a place like Calcutta, which, after all, is most meagrely supplied with information from London, a variety of opinions appear to be held as to the future. The majority of men here seem disposed to view the matter as of no importance, maintaining that the Powers are acting in concert in trying to regulate affairs in Turkey, and that therefore nothing serious can happen even in the event of a burst-up of the Turkish Empire. This, however, is a very optimist view to take, and it seems safer to assume that careful speakers like Mr. Curzon and the Duke of Devonshire would not have expressed themselves to the extent that they have, according to the published telegrams, unless there really had been grounds. A private telegram received this morning states that notwithstanding the heavy fall in consols yesterday, things had a more settled look at the close. The disturbance in the markets here has been most acute and perceptible in Government paper, the total drop having amounted to about 1½ per cent. from what the price was last Monday morning. The lowest was touched this forenoon, and for a time, the nominal quotation was no better than 106-16. Buyers, however, then came in, and there is a recovery this afternoon to 107. It is worth noting that although all hope securities have fallen in sympathy with consols, rentes should not have been affected; they are quoted 100, which is practically the price they have been at all the week; so that, apparently, as far as France goes, the idea is that there is nothing to be alarmed about. Dearer money in London under the excitement, was only to be expected, and it is not surprising, therefore, that discounts are roughly about three eighths per cent. higher. Altogether exchange has stood up wonderfully well, and although at the close rates are lower than on any other day this week, it does not seem possible to associate the drop to any extent with the disturbed state of things at the other end. As regards Turkish finances it is difficult to reconcile the various contradictory telegrams of the week; at one moment we are told that there is a financial crisis and that a moratorium had been proclaimed; next that the crisis was subsiding although there was a run on the Ottoman Bank; next that authority had been granted to the Bank to suspend the payment of gold for notes, but that the Bank was not likely to avail itself of the permission. The best conclusion to draw from all this is that Turkey must be pretty well at the end of her tether as regards the sinews of war.

A local paper, a few days ago, dealing with the cash balances of the Government of India as at the close of each month, and comparing them with the corresponding total of last year, draws certain deductions, and endeavours "to speculate on the length of the interval which may separate us from the effective establishment of the gold standard"—the one and fourpenny rupee in other words. The deductions arrived at are in themselves peculiar, and the paragraph is so strangely contradictory, that it is hardly right to let it pass unnoticed. The writer of the article finds fault with the Finance Minister for having violated his pledge to hold up the accumulations of rupees, and at the same time assumes that the subsequent letting loose of those accumulations is an indication that the restrictive effects of the Mint Closure Act are once more apparent. He proceeds regarding the Treasury balances, that they are "now nearly down to normal level, and will no longer be available for dispersion even under the guise of payments for railway construction and Chitral operations." It is not clear what is meant, or how the money spent over Chitral and in railway construction, can indicate, that the supply of Council bills is in excess of demand, or is likely to lead to a higher exchange. The money spent locally in railway construction has, I maintain, no effect on sterling exchange, while there is not a shadow of a doubt that remittances from this end for the purchase of railway material in England can only tend to "lower exchange." Again the writer of the article is of opinion that it is improbable that the Government reserves can be replenished, except at the expense of the circulation, and at the same time he says that the Presidency Banks' balances are exceptionally high—these statements are difficult to reconcile. And he argues, that abundant and cheap money, such as we have had, could have been done without, and yet have insured the success of the Government paper conversion scheme. This is ridiculous, for cheap money was the essential factor in the success of the conversion. High balances in the Presidency Banks make cheap money, and cheap money makes the success of Government loans, and that without disturbance of sterling exchange.

In the money market there is no change to note. Accommodation is available at last week's rates, but there is little doing in any direction. Loans on Government paper are 2½ to 3 per cent and discounts are 4 to 5. There was some attempt here to make capital out of the disturbed condition of things at home, by arguing that rates should be higher in sympathy with the higher discounts in London, as the causes at work were conducive to dearer money in all parts of the world. It will be time enough, however, to think that way if and when matters really look approaching a climax. Meanwhile, with the combined cash balances of the three Presidency banks standing at over 10½ crores, there is nothing to prevent things going on comfortably. At the close the bazaar reports that rates are all round fractionally higher with the shroffs; 51 days' first-class hoondees are 9 annas discount.

In the jute market prices have been well maintained, with a little more inquiry from home. Loose jute has been an anna or two higher for all qualities, and the local quotation for baled is Rs. 32 for firsts, and Rs. 31 to 31½ for seconds. At Goozeffer a fair business has been done. The quotations at the other end has been mostly £2 per ton, though the London quotation received here this morning is £11-17-6 sellers.

The freight market is quieter both via Canal and via Cape, as the jute market seems dullish at home. For London via Canal 16s. 3d. was accepted for linseed and, subsequently 15s. was done. Dead-weight is being shipped at 12s. 6d; for jute 20s. was paid in small lots, and steamers are still asking the same prices, but shippers are holding back. For Dundee the S. S. Kurrachee was fixed at 21s. 3d. for shipment up to the 10th proximo; there are more steamers offering at the price and possibly a lower rate may be accepted. For Hanburg some small parcels for immediate shipment have paid up to 37s. 6d. For the Adriatic the S. S. Deepdale engaged 2,500 tons at 22s. 6d. for December shipment. For sailing vessels owners have further reduced their prices and a fair business has been done. The Wavertree closed a charter for Mauritius at annas 13 per bag, allowing as a concession 1,000 tons at Rs. 5 per ton. The Holkar for Dundee at 20s., County of Inverness for Hamburg at 20s., Sindia for U.K. Continent at 20s. with option of Falmouth for orders at 21s. 3d. and British Isles for Galveston at 4½ dollars have also been done. Disengaged tonnage in port, 34,000 tons.

The flow of money as between Bombay and Calcutta continues to be in the direction of the latter port; in the week ended to-day Rs. 22,10,000 have been remitted through the Comptroller-General on trade account from Bombay to this. Similarly 2 lakhs have been remitted from Madras to Calcutta.

"Exchange."—The week opened fairly firm on the basis of 1s. 1 27-32d. After an advance of a point there was a decline on Tuesday to the opening price quoted. Wednesday brought news of firmer discounts in London, and a wider difference between buying and selling rates here became established; things fluctuated, but altogether it was a fairly steady market. Yesterday after some appearance of uncertainty, wire was available exceptionally at 1s. 1¾d and six months' bills were 1s. 2d.; but as the day advanced, rates crumbled, and there has been a further decline to-day. At the close wire and demand are 1s. 1 25-32d., and six months' 1s. 1 15-16d. The market is apparently steady after the drop, but there is very little doing. Altogether the volume of business during the week has been moderately large. The indigo sales commence here on Monday, and should form an element of strength in exchange so that unless home advices are dead against recovery, there does not appear to be any reason why the market should decline further.

Thirty days' document bills on India are 1s. 1 11-16d. In foreign exchange France are 25·23 and dollars 4 80½.

In the share market a general depression has existed all the week, with, from whatever cause, a disinclination to operate. The disturbed condition of things at home is not encouraging to those who deal here in joint stock shares, and no improvement can be looked for till there is news that the cloud over the London Stock Exchange has been removed. The bazaar here are not pressing to get out of their holdings, so that there is nothing acute in the condition of things locally; in fact the wonder is that jobbers are not more daunted, for here and there—in the case of Damuda, Coals for instance—there has been a decided inclination to buy and pay more money rather than sell. Coal is of course the class of article that looks up in all markets whenever the horizon is a bit belligerent.

NEARLY all the officers of the Foreign Office who have been on leave have now returned, and it is interesting to note that of the first twenty-eight Political officers on the list all are in India, save three Agents of the first grade.

FALSE DELICACY.—None of the numerous Sandalwood Oil Preparations is equal in effects as PETER'S SANTOLICURA. Is a wonderful remedy, giving relief instantaneously in all conditions of the disease. Rs. 1-2 and 3-4, of MADON, SONS and Co. Bombay

THE WEATHER.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, THE 13TH OF NOVEMBER 1895.

1. The barometric readings are corrected to Calcutta standard, reduced to the same temperature M° and also to the sea level and corrected to the constant gravity at Lat. 45°.

2. The 2nd column under the head 'Wind' gives the average motion of the air in miles per hour during the past 24 hours, and is obtained by dividing the total number of miles of wind registered by an anemometer during the previous 24 hours by 24.

3. The temperatures given in the table are of the air in the shade or in a small shed with open sides and a thatched or straw roof. The maximum (max.) and minimum (min.) temperatures are the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours preceding 8 a.m..

4. The humidity is given as a percentage expressing rates of the actual amount of moisture in the air to the amount required to saturate it.

STATIONS.	Pressure, 8 A.M.	WIND. Direction.	WIND. Rate per hour.	TEMPERATURE IN SHADE. Maximum of past 24 hours.	TEMPERATURE IN SHADE. Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity, 8 A.M.	RAINFALL. Past 24 hours.	RAINFALL. Since 1st Nov. to date.	RAINFALL. Variation, 1st Nov. to date.
Delhi	29·963	W	6	93°	62°	45	...	...	...
Agra	29·970	NW	6	93°	63°	57	...	...	...
Cawnpore	29·982	W	5	92°	63°	60	...	...	...
Allahabad	29·944	WNW	3	91°	61°	53	...	...	−0·05
Jhansi	30·004	WNW	3	94°	71°	38	...	...	−0·03
Jacobabad	30·017	SE	3	93°	65°	64	...	...	−0·01
Karachi	30·047	ENE	5	88°	65°	81	...	...	−0·07
Jeypore	30·030	Calm	3	93°	61°	60	...	...	−0·06
Ajmere	30·077	Calm	2	90°	57°	71	...	...	−0·05
Deesa	30·028	WNW	6	97°	59°	35	...	...	−0·07
Ahmedabad	30·039	NNE	1	95°	65°	46	...	...	...
Bhuj	30·031	W	4	95°	65°	65	...	...	−0·01
Rajkot	29·985	Calm	3	95°	65°	55	...	...	−0·23
Veraval	30·031	Calm	5	90°	65°	85	...	...	...
Neemuch	30·039	NE	5	90°	57°	33	...	...	−0·08
Indore	30·047	Calm	1	89°	56°	57	...	...	−0·14
Sanger	30·068	NNW	1	90°	51°	44	...	...	−0·16
Jubulpore	30·027	E	1	88°	54°	62	...	...	−0·27
Hoshangabad	30·072	Calm	...	90°	57°	71	...	...	−0·34
Khandwa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raipur	30·016	W	2	92°	63°	64	...	...	−0·45
Nagpur	30·035	Calm	...	92°	62°	66	...	0·16	−0·22
Amraoti	30·043	NW	4	93°	61°	44	...	...	−0·39
Akola	30·038	SW	2	94°	57°	51	...	...	−0·48
Surat	30·043	NW	2	94°	58°	68	...	...	−0·14
Malegaon	30·054	NW	2	92°	58°	57	...	...	−0·40
Bombay	30·015	NE	8	89°	74°	78	...	0·06	−0·48
Poona	30·068	Calm	...	89°	59°	77	...	0·74	−0·23
Ahmednagar	30·060	Calm	1	88°	56°	75	...	0·91	...
Aurangabad	30·053	Calm	2	92°	59°	48	...	0·07	...
Sholapur	30·053	Calm	6	90°	60°	51	...	0·71	0·24
Ratnagiri	29·995	SE	6	86°	70°	58	...	1·20	+0·86
Belgaum	30·013	ESE	13	85°	60°	44	...	1·54	−0·27
Goa	30·003	SE	7	91°	74°	86	...	0·17	...
Karwar	29·986	E	4	91°	73°	85	...	0·44	−1·72
Mangalore	29·975	ESE	2	88°	76°	82	...	1·79	−0·71
Calicut	29·984	SW	7	89°	76°	82	...	3·01	−0·69
Cochin	29·975	Calm	L	88°	76°	86	...	1·86	−2·79
Bangalore	30·038	NE	8	81°	63°	65	...	1·05	−1·01
Secunderabad	30·032	Calm	2	86°	62°	71	...	1·15	−0·28
Masulipatam	30·002	NW	3	89°	71°	70	...	0·45	−4·92
Bellary	30·036	Calm	1	89°	64°	58	...	2·09	+0·05
Cuddapah	30·041	Calm	1	92°	66°	65	...	0·21	−2·25
Madras	29·999	N	5	87°	74°	82	0·01	1·81	−4·21
Coimbatore	30·014	E	1	88°	71°	87	...	1·11	−1·17
Trichinopoly	29·983	Calm	2	90°	73°	89	0·12	2·16	−0·44
Negapatam	29·976	Calm	6	88°	?	75	...	2·99	−4·64
Colombo	29·967	W	7	87°	74°	66	...	1·44	−5·18
Aden	30·031	E	12	82°	73°	71	...	...	−0·05

In column 'Wind, Rate per hour,' L=Light, M=Moderate F=Fresh, S=Strong, H=Heavy.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has been either steady or has changed only slightly over the whole country. The distribution is slightly irregular, and the baric gradients are slight. Winds on the Coromandel Coast, and also at Calicut, Mangalore and Karwar are cyclonic, while calms and variable breezes prevail elsewhere. The force has been light. This morning the wind velocity was 10 miles an hour at Goa and Bangalore. The maximum temperature is from 2° to 9° in excess of the mean of the season over nearly the whole country, and the minimum in comparable to very large excess in the Punjab, North-West Provinces, and at Jacobabad, Jeypore, Ajmere and Rajkot. The highest temperature in the shade was 98° at Deesa, and the lowest 52° at Saugor. Humidity changes are irregular, and the skies are cloudy to overcast at Calicut, Madras, Coimbatore, Trichinopoly and Negapatam. Light showers have fallen at Trichinopoly, and a few drops at Madras. The weather to the eastwards of the Coromandel Coast in the Bay, and also on and off the West Coast between Goa and Cochin, is in a slightly unsettled condition, and rain in local scattered showers is probable on the Malabar Coast and at the southerly stations in the Madras Presidency.

W. C. NIGEL JONES,
Acting Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, Nov. 13.

Wednesday's observations.—Pressure has decreased briskly to rapidly over North-West India, but has hardly changed elsewhere. Readings are highest over Central India, Khandesh, Bombay and the Deccan and lowest over the North of the Gangetic Plain, but the pressure differences throughout the country are very small. Winds remain westerly down the Gangetic Plain and across Bengal and are very variable elsewhere. The force has been light to moderate generally, but strong winds are reported this morning in Colombo. The temperature is inclined to rise though the changes are irregular. The mean temperature exceeds the normal average in all provinces, least so in Burma, and most so in Sind and Rajputana. A few light showers are reported in North Bengal and South Peninsula and the weather generally is very fine.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Nov. 13.

ALL the items usually wired by Reuter's London financial telegram were unchanged in yesterday evening's message through that channel, with the exception of the quotation for 3½ per cent. Rupee Securities, which was ¾ per cent. higher, at £61.

The Wheat market was dull yesterday, with White Delhi quoted on the spot in Liverpool at 5s. 1½d. per cental Ex Quay. The total quantity of Wheat afloat for the United Kingdom on Friday was 1,840,000 quarters, or 60,000 quarters more than was upon the water at the close of the previous week.

A decline of 1-32d. took place in the price of spot Mid.-American Cotton in Liverpool yesterday, at 4 17-32d. per lb.; and Arrivals were 7-64d. lower in all positions, the extreme quotations being 4 27-64d. for November-January deliveries, and 4 15-32d. for March-April. The market closed quiet; Surats easier; Arrivals steady; the day's Sales having aggregated 15,000 bales, including 400 East Indians. The day's Imports were 34,000 bales. The Manchester market was easier.

In New York yesterday ready Mid-Uplands Cotton declined 1-8 cent per lb. to 8⅜ cents.; but February Futures were 4 points higher, at 8·44 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 44,000 bales; and the following comparison is now shown between the new season's Arrivals at the Ports, and those to hand in the corresponding period in the two previous years:—

	1895.	1894.	1893.
Tuesday's Receipts	44,000	61,000	56,000
Three days' Receipts	110,000	194,000	153,000
Since 1st September	1,904,000	2,801,000	2,236,000

Our local Cotton market has been steady and unchanged to-day with a moderate business reported for the Mills, which took 1,950 bales, consisting of 500 bales of ready new Dhulia, at Rs. 200-2; the same quantity of Chalisgaum, at Rs. 197; 400 Pachora, at Rs. 203; 300 Akola, at Rs. 216-18; and 250 Julgaum, at Rs. 206 per candy. Exporters have bought no ready Cotton at all to-day; and they have only contracted for 200 Bhawnugger, for May delivery, at Rs. 230.

WHEAT has remained quiet in tone, and only the usual small business for shippers' account has been reported on the basis of previous rates.

SEEDS have been taken to a moderate extent by exporters in a steady market; but prices of *Rapeseed* have declined one anna per cwt., our closing quotations this evening being as follows:—

Yellow Guzerat Rapeseed	Rs. 7-3-0 to 7-4-0	per cwt.
Do. Cawnpore do.	" 6-11-0	"
Red Do. do.	" 6-6-0 to 6-7-0	"

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	4,108	bales.
Wheat	26,572	cwts.
Linseed	2,588	"
Rapeseed	3,307	"
Gingellyseed	17,219	"
Castorseed	7,433	"
Rice	1,745	"

FREIGHTS remain very dull for November and early December shipment. It is rumoured that speculators have chartered again a ready steamer at about 12s. 6d. for one, or 13s. per ton for two, ports. A steamer for Hamburg has filled up at 13s. per ton. for Cotton, and 11s. for Seeds. Business has been done for Genoa for late December shipment, at 13s per ton.

EXCHANGE opened with a quiet feeling at 1s. 1¾d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, the enquiry thereat having been very limited until the middle of the day, when an enquiry from the Bazaar set in, and rates receded 1-32d. For three months' sight Credits the opening rates were 1s. 1 7-8d. for 1895 and 1s. 1 29-32d. for 1896, at which we heard of nothing doing until 1s. 1 27-32d. was available, at which business was reported, the market closing quiet, as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand		1s. 1 23-32d.	per rupee.
Do.	Telegraphic	1s. 1 23-32d.	"
Do.	3 months' sight	1s. 1¾d.	"
Credits 3	Do.	1s. 1 27-32d.	"
Francs 3	Do.	1·44	"

forward rates being 1s. ¾d. and 1s. 1 7-8d. for Bank media of remittance, and sterling Credits, respectively.

GOVERNMENT PAPER has been weak to-day, and rates, after opening at 107 5-16 for Money, and 107 1-8 for Account declined to 107 and 106 13-16 in the two positions respectively, at which they left off.

SHARES.—Little or nothing has been done in this market to-day, and the only changes to be noted are a decline of Rs. 5 each in Empress and Manockjee Petit Mill Shares, and an advance of Re. 1 each in Kemp and Co., and Phillips and Co.

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

NOVEMBER 13.

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AMERICA.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, interrupted.

CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, interrupted. Via Bhamo, perfect.

AFRICA.—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz Teneriffe, interrupted. Via Lisbon St. Vincent, perfect.

Amoor route interrupted near Khabarowka.

Cable Cadiz Teneriffe interrupted. Telegrams for Senegal and Canaries can be sent via Lisbon St. Vincent, pages 64 and 70 of the Inland Telegraph Guide. Mails for Teneriffe leave Cadiz 3rd, 13th, and 30th of each month.

Teheran route interrupted between Tiflis and Soukhoum Kale.

Mails for Madagascar closes at Durban to-morrow, at 9 a.m.

RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

(Includes the Rajputana, Holkar, Sindia, Neemuch, Rewari-Ferozepore and Cawnpore-Achnera State Railways.)

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 2nd November 1895 on 1,973·94 Miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic (Receipts.	Other Earnings [estimated.]	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,62,000	2,70,000	4,000	3,96,000
Or per mile of Railway	97	138	2	237
For previous 17 weeks of half-year.	21,14,529	31,92,046	97,178	54,03,753
Total for 18 weeks...	22,76,529	34,22,046	1,01,178	57,99,753
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year....	1,14,069	2,30,839	4,683	3,49,596
Per mile of Ry do.	68	138	3	209
Total to corresponding date do.	22,68,731	40,92,955	83,101	64,49,851

Increase for the week ..... Rs. 46,404
Decrease to date ..... " 6,50,098

I. M. RAILWAY.

(Week ending 2nd November 1895.)

Description.	1895.	1894.	Inc. for the week.	Dec. for the week.	Aggregate Inc.	Aggregate Dec.
Miles Open	875	752	..	..	..	..
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Passengers, Parcels, &c.	38,540	35,197	3,043	...	...	17,316
Goods	47,756	51,033	...	3,232	...	3,11,165
Other earnings	2,733	2,593	140	...	...	4,238
Total for week	89,029	89,123	...	92	...	...
Aggregate	13,03,437	17,02,177	...	...	...	3,32,740

G. I. P. RAILWAY.

(Open 1,490½ Miles.)

The following is the Statement of Traffic for week ending 2nd November, 1895:—

	Coaching Traffic. Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic. Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total..	2,21,592	3,82,001	5,920	6,11,513
Corresponding week Last year. Open 1,490 Miles..	...	...	...	4,74,073

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

DEAHAN—October 31, at Madras, the wife of Mr J C Beahan, Assistant Engineer, of a son.
GIRTANNER—November 4, at Glanvilla Hall, Mussoorie, the wife of P Girtanner, of a son.
PORTER—October 28, at Saugor, C P the wife of Surgeon Captain F J W Porter, AMS, of a daughter.
STEELE—November 6, at Bareilly, the wife of Captain St G L Steele, 2nd Bengal Lancers, of a daughter.
WALLER November 1, at Howrah, the wife of McLeod Dalrymple Waller, Commander, R S N Co, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

DOHERTY—LANG—November 7, at St Paul's Cathedral, Calcutta, by Rev C J Palmer, MA, George Badenach Doherty, to Arabella Lang, both of Manchester.
NOWLAN—WALLACE—October 14, at the Roman Catholic Chapel, Bankipore, Alfred John, son of John Nowlan, Esq., Supdt., Lantadic Asylum Bankipore, to Kathleen Therese, (Katie), second daughter of the late George Wallace, Esq. P W D.
WHITEHEAD—BLAIR—November 8, at St Andrew's Church, Calcutta, by the Rev Alexander Ferrier, MA, Senior Chaplain, William Blair Whitehead, Akyab, to Lizzie Corsar, second daughter of the Rev William Blair, D D, Dunblane, Scotland.

DEATHS.

ASHCROFT—November 7, at 275, Grand Trunk Road, Howrah, Peter Ashcroft, Supdt, Damuda Coal Co, Ld, late Coal Inspector, E I R.
MARTIN—November 2, at Davikulam, from concussion of the brain, the result of a fall from a pony, Miles Minchin, the dearly beloved eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Aylmer Martin, aged 4 years and 6½ months.

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1895.

THE rebuke administered to the Poona Sarvajanik Sabha by Lord Sandhurst at the commencement of the Poona season respecting the subject-matter of their address of welcome seems to have led to only a partial improvement in this patent process of the Sabha for making known their opinions on any and every administrative subject, for Lord Elgin had to speak to Mr. Tilak and his friends in tones of almost equal severity the other day. The address of welcome to the Viceroy, while free from the "sweeping and unsupported allegations against public servants," to which the Governor took exception so vigorously last June, was not less dogmatic in its generalisations on debateable points than the previous document. The object in view was doubtless to draw the Viceroy into an expression of opinion on the extremely controversial subjects dealt with, but the head of the administration of the Empire refused to thread the mazes of argument mapped out for him by the Sabha. His Excellency told the Sabha that if they wished to make representations on these controversial subjects they should do so in a form that would ensure "full consideration and a reasoned and deliberate reply." He remarked that time would fail him, even if the occassion were opportune, for a reply to the criticisms in the address, but he was careful not to allow the deputation to go away under the impression that silence gave even the slightest consent. "If I do not discuss these questions with you," he said, "because there is no opportunity, you must not for that reason think I am able to accept the propositions you have placed before me." There were, however, a few of the propositions to which Lord Elgin did briefly refer, and foremost amongst them was the assertion that the new revision settlements are being made to press hardly on the people. To this the Viceroy replied that facts and figures could be produced to show that the State share in the produce of the land is less to-day than it has been in any previous period of Indian history. The Sabha is apparently desirous that the whole of the cultivated area of the country should be placed on a permanent settlement on the lines of Lord Cornwallis' mistaken policy in Bengal a century ago. But there is not the slightest chance of any responsible Government ever repeating the error which has enabled Bengal zemindars to escape payment of their fair share of the taxation of the country. There is absolutely no valid reason why the Government, to whom the soil has belonged from time immemorial in India, should not benefit to some extent by the growth of the prosperity of their tenants, or *vice versa*, should be disabled by law from reducing the revenue in villages where the land has deteriorated in value. But while favouring fixity of assessments the two or three men who dictate the policy of the Sabha are by no means anxious to give the poor unlettered ryot, whose cause they profess to espouse, such protection from the unfair exactions of the money-lender as might be derived from placing restrictions on the alienation of the soil from peasant proprietors. Fixity of tenure, advocated by Lord Lansdowne, and some of the most experienced revenue officers of Government, with a view to save the ryot from being the bond-slave of the money-lender, is regarded by the leading lights of the Sabha as a retrograde proposal, "calculated to check all progress in land improvements." Beyond an assurance that the conservation of the rights of the State will be made to coincide with the protection of the rights and interests of the cultivators, Lord Elgin gave no inkling of the lines upon which the forthcoming legislation respecting the great problem of agricultural indebtedness will be based. Indeed, no one outside the ranks of the Sarvajanik Sabha could have expected him to do so at a time when the enquiries carried on by Sir Edward Buck in all parts of the Empire have still to be completed.

The Viceroy was less reticent in regard to the Jury Bill, and frankly admitted that the clause relating to the powers of sessions judges in jury cases was inserted in the bill, not because Government are particularly wedded to the proposal, but because the point is one upon which great difference of opinion exists, and which stands in need of a solution. As his Excellency said, such solution can best be arrived by a careful and deliberate consideration of the matter in the Legislative Council as well as "by the co-operation of all who take an interest in the due, the efficient, but still the conservative administration of the law." The Sabha's summary declaration that in regard to racial disputes peace cannot be ensured by investing the police with greater powers in the execution of their duty, was met by the very obvious rejoinder that it is not possible to do otherwise than hold the police authorities to the responsibility which falls upon them for the preservation of the Queen's peace. At the same time Lord Elgin expressed his pleasure at the emphatic declarations of the Sabha that they deeply desire that peace should prevail. This being so, let us hope that, although they may regard the arrangements made with this end in view with disfavour, they will not in the event of future troubles "stand aloof and unconcerned," as they did according to their own account last time, simply because they are not officially asked to intervene, but will use their influence to quiet the ignorant populace. Although their address to Lord Elgin was of great length, it would have been excusable for them to add a few lines concerning the anxiety of the Sabha to further the cause of social reform, as shown by the recent action of some of its foremost men.

PRIOR to the appointment of the Opium Commission the head and front of the offending of the Indian Government, in the opinion of the prohibitionists, was its "unrighteousness" in thrusting, as the phrase went, on the people of China large consignments of the iniquitous drug against their will. It was only when an enquiry was to be instituted in India that the prohibitionists woke up to a full sense of the enormity of supplying Natives of this country with the drug, and all through the chief plank in their platform has been the "national crime" of demoralising poor unfortunate John Chinaman with an article of consumption he would rather not have. The evidence taken before the Commissioners showed clearly enough that this theory was based on no better foundation than the eager credulity of well-meaning travellers in accepting as Gospel truth the solemnly-told yarns of wily Chinamen, forgetful of the fact that the pig-tailed race are past masters in the art of saying what they believe will please their hearers or accord with their views. It is well known that so far from depending for their supply on the importations from India, the Chinese grow the greater part of the opium they consume. The course of the export trade from India in this commodity in recent years, and its tendency at the present time, supply the most conclusive proof of the erroneous nature of the belief that the Indian Government is in any way responsible for the use of the drug in the Celestial Kingdom. The exports to Hongkong and the Treaty Ports in 1890-91 amounted 60,855 chests, but they have since steadily declined, and last year only reached a total of 51,819 chests. At the present time the decrease in the quantity of shipments is very marked. During the six months ending last September the exports of Malwa opium from Bombay to China were short of the quantity for the first-half of 1894-95 by 2,427 chests. The weighments at Indore up to the end of the third week of October show a large falling off as compared with the corresponding period of the last five years. This reduction in the quantity indented for China, although brought about by a diminished demand, so far from being accompanied by a diminution in price, occurs at a time when the rates rule considerably above the average of the past five years. It would seem that this is one of those exceptional cases in which prices are not to be taken as an indication of demand and supply. Indeed, business men connected with the trade are of opinion that, while the present high level of prices may be kept up, the decline of shipments will continue. The decrease owes its origin to the formal withdrawal in 1892 of the restrictions imposed up to that time upon the cultivation of the poppy in China. The natural result was to enlarge the area, and also to improve the quality of home-grown opium, inasmuch as the surreptitious production formerly indulged in was not favourable to careful cultivation or preparation. During the last three years the area of cultivation has largely increased, and the indigenous drug is now obtainable in such quantities and of such quality that the Indian import is only used for mixture in small quantities with the home-grown article for the consumption of the rich, who formerly used the imported brand exclusively. This natural cause of decline has been aided by the coincidence that since the closing of the mints the exchange between China and India has fallen greatly, necessitating higher dollar and tael prices for opium in China, and enhancing the cost to the Chinese consumer. After the close of the Far Eastern war the Chinese authorities made an attempt to levy an additional war-tax on the imported drug which, although unsuccesful, interfered with business to some extent. As this year's crop of Malwa opium is not large, and present prices are high, it is believed that there will be no appreciable increase in the rate of shipments to China during the current year. The fact that shipments of Malwa opium were unusually large last year, was due not to any real recovery in the trade, but to the failure of the crops both in Bengal and China. It is anticipated that two thousand chests a month will be shipped from Bombay during the remainder of the current financial year, and that the total revenue collected here during the year under this head will be one crore and seventy-five lakhs. The Bombay merchants, best able to form an opinion, believe that the high price of the Indian drug, combined with the continued improvement of the indigenous brand, will lead the Mandarins to discontinue the use of the former article altogether. The inevitable result will be the total extinction of the trade in a few years unless unforeseen circumstances occur to arrest the development of poppy cultivation in China.

THE Rajah of Kapurthala, who created a good impression in England, and was favourably impressed with everything English, has just published, through Messrs. Routledge and Sons, a book on his recent travels in Europe and America. He begins his story with his departure from his own capital, and has something to say of Bombay. The Victoria Terminus is, he admits, "a truly magnificent pile of buildings," but thinks that it is a trifle too grand for the requirements of the company. The money, he ventures to suggest, would perhaps have been better spent in improving the accommodation for third-class passengers, "who in India receive very bad treatment at the hands of the railway officials." Of his visit to the Alexandra Girls' School at Bombay he writes: "I trust the day is not far distant when we shall see many such schools flourishing all over India. Our main want is female education. At present an educated Indian feels the want of an intelligent companion in his home, able by her attainments to be a sympathetic partner to him in all his joys and sorrows." Then the Rajah tells us how his party was amazed at the size, machinery, comforts, beauty, etc., of the P. and O. steamer on which they embarked at Bombay. They wondered how the great vessel could be safely steered when no land was in sight to guide the sailors. One of the Rajah's servants was much puzzled to know in what manner the captain could find his way from place to place, and declared his belief that the ship ran on rails laid at the bottom of the sea. His presentation to the Queen-Empress at Florence was especially gratifying to the Rajah, who says he considered himself fortunate in being the first Sikh prince to whom the honour was given of personally expressing the devotion of the Indian nation to Her Majesty's person and throne. The Queen, it seems, made many inquiries regarding her Indian subjects. Finally, she was pleased to compliment him on his knowledge of English. When the Rajah was about to depart Her Majesty directed Sir Henry Ponsonby to conduct him over the villa gardens. Her Majesty when the rajah saw her was, he says, in the enjoyment of excellent health, looking many years younger than her real age. There is every hope, he writes, that she may, God willing, live to rule her great Empire for many years to come. Her Majesty's charming manner and sweet smile at once fascinate those who have the good fortune to approach her person. He would like to add that the sad expression, as shown in her portraits, was absent when he had the honour of seeing Her Majesty. Nothing could be more agreeable, he declares, than her pleasant smile of warm welcome. His Highness makes some remarkable comparisons between London and Paris, and one of the best things in the volume is his description of a Whit Sunday demonstration in Hyde Park in favour of Home Rule for Ireland. "The enthusiasm of the crowd was apparently great; but whether it is real or not is another thing. These demonstrations remind me of a bottle of sodawater, which opens with fracas, but the after-taste is insipid and flat; and no particular harm results from the outburst. I should say the power represented by the voice of the well-to-do middle classes will in England long control the more violent but badly directed aspirations of the lower orders. Yet it is highly politic to let the latter fume and bluster, as it keeps them from burrowing under ground and working in secret societies." Point is given to his observation by the remark that it applies with "equal force to the artificial agitation recently started in India, known as the National Congress."

THE annual return of Joint Stock Companies in India shows the number to be 1,204 with a paid-up Capital of Rx. 27,668,569 as compared with 1,065 with Rx. 27,510,059, a year earlier. A hundred and forty-two companies increased their capital, thirteen reduced it, fifty-seven ceased to work, and a hundred and ninety-six new companies were registered during the year. Provident Companies formed a large proportion of these. The principles of all these companies are shown by an official paper to be nearly the same. There is no capital in the ordinary sense of the word, and there are no funds invested. A maximum number of shares is fixed. The price of each share is generally a rupee—often less. There is an entrance fee of a few annas. In the smaller companies the share-capital seems to be mostly swallowed up in preliminary expenses, such as cost of registration, establishment, postage, printing, etc. In case of death companies each share-purchaser can hold only one share. He has the right to name another person, who on the death of the shareholder applies to the directors, who proceed to levy a sum from each of the other shareholders, which is called the death-fee, and is generally of the same value as the share. The amount of the fee thus collected is paid to the nominee, who then retires from connection with the company. The nominee has thus an interest in the speedy death of the shareholder by whom he is nominated. The marriage and birth companies are conducted on the same principles. When the nominee, who must be a female, is married, or when she has a child, the shareholder is entitled to collect a fee from each of the other shareholders. When a company is newly started, the first few calls for fees are paid with fair punctuality, and the first few nominees or shareholders, as the case may be,

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

A MADRAS HIGH COURT JUDGESHIP.

LONDON, Nov. 12.

Mr. James Acworth Davies succeeds Mr. Justice Best as Judge of the High Court of Judicature, Madras.

THE ASHANTEE EXPEDITION.

Nov. 13.

Colonel Sir J. C. Scott has been appointed to command the Ashantee Expedition, which will consist of fourteen hundred men, comprising three hundred picked Regulars. The West Coast squadron will co-operate.

THE SOHO MYSTERY.

The coroner's jury in the inquest on the body of Rose English, who was found shot in a house in Soho, last September, have returned a verdict of suicide.

THE SITUATION IN ARMENIA.

CAPITULATION OF ZEITUN GARRISON.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 12.

Information has been received that the Garrison at Zeitun has capitulated to the insurgents with their arms.

The Porte has called upon more reservists to join the colours, and intends to occupy every strategic point in Anatolia, and form flying columns to suppress the disturbances in that district.

REPRESSIVE MEASURES BY THE PORTE.

Nov. 13.

The Porte has issued a circular instructing the Governors of Provinces to vigorously maintain order, but troops and funds for the purpose are lacking.

DESPATCH OF A SPECIAL FRENCH SQUADRON.

PARIS, Nov. 12.

A special French squadron sailed, to-day, for Eastern waters.

THE ITALIAN SQUADRON.

ROME, Nov. 13.

The Italian squadron has been ordered to the Levant.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, Nov. 12.

The steamer Caledonia, which left Bombay on the 2nd instant, with the Bombay mails, arrived at Brindisi, to-day.

ARRIVAL OF THE TRANSPORT ZAIRE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GOA, Nov. 13.

His Highness Prince Don Affonso landed, at noon, yesterday, from the transport Zaire, and thence proceeded by a Government jolly-boat to Pangim. On landing his Highness was received by his Grace the Patriarch Archbishop, the President of the Government Council, and conveyed to a dais, hurriedly prepared for his reception. Prince Don Affonso was welcomed by his Grace the Patriarch Archbishop in the name of the Government and people of Portuguese India, and then followed a speech from the Count of Mahem, President of the Municipality of Ilhas. The speech, though brief, was expressive. The Prince thanked the Municipality for the welcome given to him. The road from the pavilion was lined by local troops for his train to pass up to the palace. Here he received some high functionaries, and drove to the Palace of Cabo with Rear-Admiral Raphael de Andrade, the new Governor-General of Goa. To-day, his Highness assisted at a solemn *Te Deum* service, held in the Cathedral of Old Goa, given for his safe arrival. The Royal party was received at the Cathedral by his Grace the Patriarch Archbishop, and all the clergy, with the usual formalities on such occasions. After this the whole party proceeded to the Church of Bom Jesus, where the formalities of taking up the reins of Government were gone through. At 8 o'clock in the evening the European troops were transhipped at Agoada in Shepherd's steamer, and landed at the Pangim pier. The troops, on being landed, were lined from the palace to the Custom House, and inspected by the Prince in person, who was accompanied by the Governor. Many cheers were given in honour of the Army, the Prince, and the country. His Highness also personally supervised the landing of mules this afternoon.

THE ALLEGED BIGAMY CASE.

RANGOON, Nov. 13.

In reference to the bigamy case, the magistrate to-day, wired to Calcutta that Billon be admitted on bail. Evidence is being produced that he acted throughout openly and in good faith.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PLYMOUTH, Nov. 12.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Goorkha arrived here this morning.

SUEZ, Nov. 12.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Sinclair, from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, arrived here yesterday evening.

The Bombay-Japan Line steamer Muke Maru left Hongkong for Singapore yesterday.

The Florio and Rubattino Company's s. s. R. Rubattino left Suez for Bombay, yesterday, at 11-30 a.m.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 12.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats easier.

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The Manchester Market has been easier.

2½ per cent. Consols	106 1/8
3 per cent. Rentes	100
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	116
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	61
Bar Silver	30 13/16

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 13th November, 1895.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	12	2	10 p.m.	18	30
Teheran	...	...	...	...	...
Suez	13	2	50 p.m.	...	14

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., of the 13th November, 1895.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	..	34	..	1
" Karachi	..	23	..	1
" Madras	..	25	..	1

THERMOMETER READINGS.

TUESDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 12.

10 p.m.	80·2

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13.

6 a.m.	75·8
10 a.m.	87·4
2 p.m.	89·2
4 p.m.	85·5

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

(FROM OUR COMMERCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Oct. 25.

Exporters of Indian cotton will be interested to learn that the possibility of developing a considerable export trade in American raw cotton to Japan by way of the Pacific, which has from time to time been discussed in Japan itself, appears to be receiving attention also in the American Cotton States. Referring to the Japanese scheme for a line of steamers between Japan and some point on the Pacific coast, to be controlled by Japenese and subsidised by the Japanese Government, the New Orleans *Picayune* remarks that efforts made by various interests along the Pacific coast to secure the selection of particular points as the American terminus of the Japanese line have disclosed the fact that the Japanese have in view primarily the bringing within reach of Japan of the produce of the American cotton fields. Japan already finds difficulty in securing a sufficient supply of cotton for her mills. Notwithstanding the distance and the expense, American cotton has been imported by the Japanese mills, and if some route could be established whereby such cotton could be delivered in Japan at a moderate cost for transportation, not only would the Japanese cotton manufacturing industry be greatly developed, but a market would be found for a large additional quantity of the American staple. With a view to placing the terminal of the new Japanese line as near as possible to the American cotton fields, it is said that the projectors of the enterprise propose to establish a port on the Pacific coast of Mexico, so as to make connections with the Tehuantepec Railroad. The idea is to export the cotton from the Southern Gulf ports, carry it by rail across the Isthmus of Tehuantepec, and tranship it on the Pacific coast. While such a route would involve considerable handling, it is believed that it would be much cheaper than to haul the cotton entirely across the continent to San Francisco. Besides, the terminal in the Gulf of Tehuantepec could be promptly abandoned in the event that the building of either of the proposed canals across the isthmus should afford an all-water route from Japan to the cotton ports.

The *Statist* assures its readers "in good authority" that the market is quite wrong in supposing that the Japanese Government has been buying Indian rupee paper. The Chinese Government is not bound to pay the indemnity to Japan until next month, and it is certain that not a single penny has yet been transferred to Japan. Further, it is at least possible that Russia may advise China not to pay until the Japanese have cleared out of the Liaotung peninsula. Therefore Japan has at the present time no funds to invest. Whatever funds she has are needed for establishing her authority in Formosa for constructing public works, and for strengthening the army and navy. The financial organ is assured, likewise, that the buying of India Council drafts by Japan has been on a much smaller scale than the market generally believes. That the demand has not been for trade proper in India is clear enough, because trade is dull. But at the same time most of the demand has been for India, although much of it has been outside of usual exchange requirements.

The cotton crop of the United States for the year ending August 31st, 1895, amounts to 9,901,251 bales, showing an increase over the crop of 1893-94 of 2,351,434, over that of 1892-93 of 3,200,886, and over the largest previous commercial crop (that of 1891-92, when the total was 9,035,379) of 865,872 bales. The largest gain over last year has been in Texas (including Indian Territory), the production of which has been phenomenal, the excess being 1,216,798 bales. The group of Atlantic States (consisting of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and North Carolina) has increased 350,049 bales, and the Gulf States (Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee) show a gain of 784,587. The year has been one of the most remarkable on record. Fears of an overwhelming crop and a drop in prices below the cost of production were entertained by planters from the beginning of the season, and the rush to market to realise amounted for a while to almost a panic. For the first time in the history of cotton planters themselves became "bears," and the talk early in September throughout the interior of 5 cents per lb. and under for cotton bore its legitimate results. The increased yield of cotton per acre also served as a partial offset to the decline in values, and a year which opened in the midst of financial gloom and threatened disaster closes, at least for the South, decidedly more satisfactorily than anticipated. The "10,000,000 bale crop" has been disposed of, the financial storm has gone, leaving no wrecks worthy of mention, but in its wake a feeling of cheerfulness and confidence. Our manufactures have received a remarkable impetus, and give promise of a still greater increase in the immediate future that will rank the South as a most important factor in the consumption of her own cotton. Taking the New Orleans price as a fair average for the United States, the lowest point touched was 4¼c. per lb. for middling, and the highest 7 11-16c. per lb., but the average of the entire season was 5.92c., a loss on the crop from last season's prices of 1 8-5r100c. per lb., or, say, in round figures fully 8dols. per bale, the bales, this year being nearly 10lbs. heavier. The average commerical value of the crop has been 30dols. per bale of 509lbs. each, against 37.50 dols. last year (500lb. bales), and 42.50dols. in 1892-93.

At a meeting of German cotton spinners at Dusseldori the other day, at which nearly the whole of the mills in Rhineland and Westphalia spinning yarns for sale were represented, it was again reported that employment continued satisfactory throughout the district, and a discussion on the relation between the selling prices of yarns and their cost of production at the current prices for raw cotton took place. It was generally admitted that the advance in the price of yarns had not kept pace with the upward movement in the raw material, spinners having rather in many cases made sale of yarn on the basis of raw cotton purchased at lower rates some time ago, and therefore at prices which showed no margin on cotton if bought at the current quotations for the raw material. It was resolved that no further sales of yarn should be made unless at prices corresponding to the cost of the raw material on the day of sale, and the following schedule of lowest prices was adopted :—20's water of good American cotton 74 pfennigs and 12's. Surat yarns 65 pfennigs per English pound. It was further resolved that in case of any further advance in cotton prices, yarn prices should also be again raised.

There is nothing in the character of the figures of this week's Bank return to justify the hardening tendency of rates of discount in the open market. The reserve has increased by three-quarters of a million, raising the total to 29¾ millions, the whole of the addition being due to a return of notes and coin from internal circulation. The other deposits are only £166,656 higher for the week, but the total still stands at the phenomenal figure of 50½ millions. Other movements in the return are not of special interest, apart from a further liquidation of the Government's indebtedness to the Bank on deficiency bills the Government Securities show a reduction of three-quarters of a million, and an increase of £281,343 in the other securities, which is attributed to purchases of stock on the part of the central institution. While a combined effort on the part of the banks may lead to somewhat of a recovery in the rate obtainable for the negotiation of bank paper no material advance can be looked for until the other deposits are considerably reduced.

The annual report of Mr. Vincent Caillard on the Ottoman Public Debt will be found particularly interesting at the present juncture. He states that the conditions of the past financial year were scarcely, if at all, better than those of its predecessor. The total gross revenues of the financial year which ended on March 12th last, amounted to £12,546,072, against £T2,542,735 in the preceding year showing an increase of £T3,337. The expenditure on the other hand, was also slightly higher amounting to £T361,864, against £T350,271. The net revenue thus shows a decrease of £T8,256. This result is regarded as satisfactory, inasmuch as during the period under review some of the receipts were affected by cholera quarantine measures, fall in prices, bad crops, disorder, etc. The total external indebtedness of the Ottoman Empire in August last was £T129 millions, against upwards of £T130½ millions in 1894, the actual decrease being £T1,738,827. The reduction of debt under the operation of the sinking fund would have been greater but for the rise in the value of the bonds. The ordinary sinking fund was brought to bear upon the first two series, Series "A" having received the full 4 per cent., and Series "B" an amount of £T98,778 against £938,423 in the preceding year.

The tide of speculation which, during the last few months, has advanced with startling rapidity, has suffered a sudden check, and there can be on doubt that the forthcoming Stock Exchange Settlement, beginning on Saturday in the Mining Market, will be an anxious one. The Settlement which finished on the 16th ultimo was troublesome enough, and since it ended there has been a further fall in prices representing many millions in the aggregate. From being excessively confident, the Stock Markets have, therefore, passed into a state of nervous depression and apprehension, so that the worst prognostications now find almost as ready credence as the most sanguine did only a short month ago. It is by the help of these extremes of hope and fear that the skilful operator makes money, and, for the consolation of those who are shivering at the prospect of "differences" which they cannot meet, we may say that the piling up of horrors seems to us to be now a little overdone. Without offering an opinion on the merits of the Securities which the public have been playing with for the last twelve months—for merits are never in question—and looking at the matter merely as a conflict between "bull" and "bear," the indications of the hour are that the "bear" has lately been rampant over much. Here he has not a great deal to go upon. The Stock Exchange has, undoubtedly, made money—a great deal of money—during the past twelve months, and some among the public have been equally fortunate. Only that "book making" class of persons who sail in at the very top of the market ought, then to be suffering from the declines in prices which have taken place since the end of September. Great is the fall in some instances has been, prices are still, in most cases, far above what they stood at in September, 1894, or even six months ago. Of an average advance of probably more than 150 per cent.., some 20 to 30 per cent. has been lopped off, and it is only too late comers that such a change can mean destruction. The "bear" has, therefore, fallen back on the state of Continental markets, and, for the last week, stories about "serious difficulties" in Paris or in Berlin have been quite the fashion. Admit a substratum of truth in them, and they none the less afford proof that a considerable portion of the fall which has taken place in prices is the work of speculators who are selling to depress the market. All the better this for the coming Settlement. The more oversold accounts there are to arrange, the easier "contango" rates are sure to be. An oversold market is like a spiral spring which has been compressed by a weight. It bounds back again the moment the weight is removed. From the mere strategic position of the market, we are, consequently, disposed to think that the approaching settlement may be less ugly to encounter than it now looks. A few failures we shall see, and more than one broker will be constrained to lament the folly of having executed orders to buy at the top for clients who, now that they have lost by the deal, snap their fingers by way of payment. But this kind of incident does not prove that the "South African bubble" has burst. It is extremely difficult, however, to forecast the future of this extraordinary market. There are few *data* to go upon, for one thing; and for another, the speculation has become so unprecedently International that an intimate knowledge of one Exchange or Bourse is not sufficient to afford the means of forming a judgment.

A question of some impostance connected with British official representation in foreign countries has been raised at a meeting of the London Chamber of Commerce. The occasion was the delivery of an address on the trade of this country with Roumania. The President took the opportunity of advocating an extension of the system of commercial attaches as a means of furnishing information to merchants and manufacturers at home. There is doubtless room for considerable improvement in the service of this kind rendered by Foreign Office officials, but whether or not this can be most effectually made by increasing the number of commercial attaches is, to say the least, a debatable matter. The evidence presented to the Royal Commission on Civil Establishments which sat in 1889 showed that a commercial attache, being an officer of the diplomatic staff, is not only under the control of the ambassador or minister, but is also less free than a consul or consul-general, and that his methods are less elastic. There are at present three commercial attaches in the diplomatic service—one at Paris, one at St. Petersburg, and one, recently established, at Constantinople. Some valuable information has been received from these officers, but the material upon which it has been based has come usually from foreign official documents, and sometimes these documents have been made known by English newspapers long before the report of the attache has been printed. What is particularly needed is special reports upon current developments in the trade, industries, or resources of the several States, or upon changes in their laws bearing upon commerce drawn from all quarters. The preparation of such reports would often demand individual inquiries in various directions, and it is quite likely that this work could be done much better by a consul or consul-general than by an attache selected from the diplomatic staff. But in addition to this change there is need for a revision of the general consular instructions with a view to the encouragement of original research and a departure from the stereotyped form and the almost perfunctory method so often observable in consular reports.

While it may be true that the recent upward movement in the prices of cotton have no more relation to the movements in the silver market than to "the changing phases of the moon," it can scarcely have escaped notice that the late upward movement in the silver market—and in the exchanges of silver-using countries—was followed by a recovery in the cotton market, and that the present fall in the latter has been preceded by a decline in the former, facts which may at least suggest the possibility of some secondary relation. We are told that the recent rapid rise in cotton prices was the result of the formation of a "corner," and that the fall is due to the failure of that operation. A "corner" is not necessarily, in all circumstances, unjustifiable. Granted an impending scarcity of any commodity, the legitimate function of the speculator is to husband present abundance, and in doing this he serves a useful purpose. He merely repeats the historical operation in Egypt by means of which the surplus of the years of plenty was preserved to make good the deficit in the predicted years of scarcity. If we assume that the recent "corner" in cotton has had any such statistical justification, we cannot deny that its success, within certain limits, ought to have been assured by other economic conditions. And it is at this point that the influence of the movements of the silver market would come in. A real rise in the value of raw cotton owing to prospective lessening of supply would naturally have the effect of correspondingly raising the values of cotton yarns and goods, and the consumers of these products would doubtless recognise the wisdom of conceding a legitimate advance. But what would be the consequence of a fall meanwhile in the price of silver? It would necessitate a still further rise of prices in silver-using countries, That is, the consumer in the great markets of the Far East would not only have to give a higher price in terms of his currency corresponding to the real advance in the value of the article, but a further advance to make good the decrease in the gold value of his money; and such an advance would appear excessive and beyond his means. Now it is plain matter of fact that the weakening of the Eastern exchanges has diminished the support which the spinner and manufacturer might otherwise have been able to give to the raw cotton market, and must constantly have the same effect whatever may be the real decrease in the supply of cotton.

In connection with the centenary of the Institute of France there was the other day a reception of foreign and French corresponding members at the Palais Mazarin. M. Ambroise Thomas did the honours. The foreigners and country cousins were taken over the Institute and then to the Louvre, where formerly the French Academy used to hold its sittings in the ground floor galleries facing the quay now devoted to modern sculpture. The first sitting of the Institute took place a hundred years ago in the presence of the Directory. Henri II.'s gallery was used for the grand sittings. The muster of Russian corresponding members was a full one. The Russian General Tilbo conveyed the congratulations of the scientific and literary societies of Russia. A soiree was held in the evening at the Ministry of Public Instruction.

THE GOA MUTINY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

GOA, Nov. 11.

Although I have given you sufficient details of the first engagement of the Government troops with the revolters, it may be as well to add thereto an explanation as to how and why four armed deserters who came to Captain Gomes da Costa were subsequently killed. It is said that before the engagement took place, the plan of the Commander of the Expeditionary Force was to collect all the rebels together, and use the artillery upon them. But how the rebels were to be brought together was a question that was not easily solved. The deserters were to remain at a certain distance, and to send their men to arrange for the pardon. Instead of this, however, the deserters sent four armed men of their number to learn the terms of pardon. On their arrival they asked for the conditions, but instead of replying Lieutenant Possolo struck one of the messengers, who returned the compliment by firing a shot, and wounding him in the thigh. The four deserters were then fired upon, and killed at once. Mr. Loureiro, the Administrator of Ponda, and Sergeant Campos were also killed during the engagement. The Government troops on their precipitate retreat did not attempt to bring the bodies, and, strange to say, in the official account no mention of their death is made. Consequently, the ex-Governor-General did not put on record the lamentable occurrence, nor the death of seven other men, who died in the defence of the country, after fighting bravely with the rebels. To-morrow, the Zaire arrives, and we are expecting that in a short time we shall have some stirring events to record.

The four officers of the Portuguese Cavalry, who were staying in Bombay, purchased 125 horses for Rs. 80,000, and they will be sent by rail to Goa, to-day, under the charge of eight Cavalry soldiers. The officers have proceeded to Goa by the man-of-war Vasco da Gama, which left yesterday afternoon, under the command of Captain J. Ferreira de Amaral. General Viscount Villa Nova d'Ourem, the ex-Governor-General of Portuguese India, leaves, to-day, by the Italian steamer Singapore for Genova.

MILITARY NEWS.

Captain H. S. McC. Stannell, Scots Fusiliers, is appointed Station Staff Officer at Jullundur.

Brigadier-General Pennington assumed command of the Bundelkhand District on the 4th November.

Major A. B. Maxwell and Captain W. H. Williamson, Manchester Regiment, are posted to the 2nd Battalion.

Surgeon-Major P. N. Ellis, A. M. S., has been nominated by the Horse Guards for service in the Bengal Command.

An exchange of regiments has been sanctioned between Lieutenants E. C. Lock, 17th Bengal Infantry, and J. H. G. S. Chisholm, 3rd Bengal Cavalry.

Colonels J. G. T. Carruthers, 21st Punjab Infantry, and E. W. Smyth, 25th Punjab Infantry, are permitted to reside out of India on vacating command of their regiments.

Lieutenant A. Rolland, Royal Engineers, is transferred from the Military Works Department to the Indian Submarine Mining Company, and posted to the Rangoon Section.

Her Majesty the Queen and Empress of India has been graciously pleased to accept the dedication of the Indian translation of Dr. Osborn's book, "First Aid to the Wounded."

Captain M. A. Kerr, 44th Gurkhas, will be appointed District Recruiting Officer on return from leave, *vice* Vacsittart, resigned; Captain H. V. Bradley, 2-2nd Gurkhas, will officiate in the meantime.

Lieutenant C. H. Wood, No. 16 Company, Western Division, R. A., has been transferred to the 51st Field Battery, and Lieutenant A. W. Hewetson from the 51st Field Battery to No. 6 Mountain Battery.

It is further notified that the supply of jerseys hitherto issued in England as part of the seakit of troops for the voyage to India will be discontinued, with effect from the beginning of the trooping season, 1895-96.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. A. Graves, Military Works Department, is posted to the Madras Command on return from leave. Major G. E. Shute, Royal Engineers, is transferred from the Military Works Department to the Bombay Sappers and Miners.

The following transfers are ordered in the Military Works Department:—Captain J. A. Gibbon from the Punjab and Major E. C. Stanton from the Madras to the Bengal Command; Captain H. V. Biggs from the Madras and Lieut. G. H. Griffith from the Bengal to the Punjab Command.

It is notified in Army Circulars that under instructions from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, ration stoppages on board troopships proceeding to and from India were abolished, with effect from the beginning of the second voyages of the troopships from England in 1893-94. All regimental warrant, non-commissioned officers and men, and warrant, non-commissioned officers and men of Indian Departments and unattached lists, and their families, who are entitled to passages to and from England, will in future be exempt from messing deductions on the voyage. This change does not affect those who are granted "non-entitled" passages, and who pay "non-entitled" rates of messing.

THE POWERS OF A PRESIDENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—A draft report or scheme drawn up by a sub-committee specially appointed for the purpose is submitted for consideration and approval to the whole body that appointed the sub-committee. The chairman allows the whole report to be put in, and invites discussion upon it. The discussion having progressed, one of the members being dissatisfied with a part of the report requests the body to delete it from the same. The chairman again asks those present if they have anything to say for or against that particular point or any other. Several members having spoken in favour of retaining the part objected against as it stood, the dissentient member, seeing that the sense of an overwhelming majority is in favour of retaining what he objects to, appeals to the chairman to rule that the particular part is "ultra vires," and the chairman arbitrarily does so. Now, the question arises whether the chairman is right in acting as he does, "after" having invited discussion on the report as a whole, as also on the individual paras. in question.

Will any of your numerous legal readers and others better acquainted with the rules of debate enlighten me on the point through the columns of your widely read paper?

Further, one of the members being dissatisfied with the action of the chairman, wishes to submit a separate report from himself, embodying the same, and certan other points of a like nature; but the chairman again pronounces it to be "ultra vires," and does not allow it to be put in. Can his action be justified in

Nov. 13. LAW OR EQUITY.

OFFICE CLERKS AND THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—I read in your paper of the 12th instant a letter, headed "Municipal Clerks." Evidently "Citizen" is one connected with the local Municipality. Yes, he is right the Municipal Commissioner intends revising the schedule of staff, and it is to be hoped that hardworking and intelligent clerks will receive due promotion according to their length of service and abilities. Yes, there is great need of a good and correct system of fixing salaries. In many cases promotion is never given to clerks and other employees earning salaries under Rs. 30. Savings in establishments and promotions are only intended for the favoured, and not for the poor. If the late Municipal Commissioner had arranged to pay the lady-clerks out of savings or from his "special grant," or some other special grant, there would not be so much cause for grumbling or complaint among the staff. Heads of Municipal and Government Departments keep a crude sort of staff-list, styled "The Seniority List," showing the rank of each clerk according to length of permanent service in the department. In addition to this there is another list, called the "Gradation List," showing the rank of each clerk according to his salary. Then we have the Bombay Municipal List, the Schedule itself, and lastly, the Service-Book. But none of these are practically of any help or use at the time of filling up vacancies or appointments.—Yours, &c.,

Nov. 13. JUSTITIA.

Mr. Kisch, Postmaster-General, Bengal, returns from leave on the 13th instant. Mr. Ham, now officiating, will then go to the North-West Provinces as Post-master-General *vice* Mr. Radice, who has been acting, and who goes on leave directly.

THE CHEAP PASSAGE CRAZE.

We all recollect that when Artemus Ward had a wax-work show an attempt was made to obtain admittance without payment. To this Artemus demurred. He was willing that the would-be spectators should pay without coming in, but he did not quite see the peculiar force and beauty of their coming in without paying. "May I not come in," said a lovely female, "without paying? I am a gushing child of nature." "Go and gush outside!" said Artemus, and she did.

We are not aware whether the irrepressible Surgeon-Major Barry poses as a gushing child of nature, but his lot must hitherto have been cast among very simple persons if he really believes that the flapdoodle, which under the high-sounding title of "The War of the League, an Impeachment, a Policy, and an Appeal," he has launched on the public, will go down with business men. If the P. and O. Company had a monopoly, if there was no other means of transit, there might be some slight point in the matter. But the Military Surgeon might just as well go outside the Lyceum Theatre and harangue the public because the prices charged were not those of the Penny Gaff to which he had been accustomed, as declaim against the P. and O. passage rates.

If Dr. Barry is not satisfied with the P. and O., his remedy lies in his own hands—let him travel by another line; but this virulent attack upon a Company that all decent Englishmen are proud of, is a matter which calls for public condemnation.

Let Dr. Barry get up a line of his own, let him only have for drinks the clean whisky at 3s. 6d. per case, and the beer at 10 annas a gallon which so exercise the Statistical Department of the Government, and as Mr. O'Conor would say, let his "conjugal relations," by the introduction of sewing machines on board, give a bright and civilized air to the squalor of the surroundings; but this carping criticism of a great service is but childish.

The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company is a monument of what great executive ability and careful management can achieve. It is only by the most constant vigilance, the most unremitting attention, and the utmost foresight that the modest dividends now paid have been possible. We have been a pretty constant traveller, and have voyaged in all sorts and conditions of P. & O. steamers, and while we have occasionally seen something to complain of—for there are spots on the sun even—we have seen very much to admire and appreciate.

Notwithstanding the falling rapee, the Company give a better and cheaper service than when that coin was equivalent to two shillings, and, so long as we are able to do so, we shall travel P. & O.

There was a cantankerous person, and to the great comfort of those about him, he died and descended to the lower regions. His Satanic Majesty met him at the door and presented him with a box of cheap passage matches. "Stay outside and burn yourself there," he said, "I will not have you kicking up a row in my place."

When Surgeon-Major Barry presents himself, lancet—we beg pardon—sword in hand and asks for a passage, we would advise the P. & O. Superintendent to tell him to stay outside and burn himself there.

Meanwhile, we should be glad to publish the accounts of the League, and to show how the rupees collected from the confinding public have been expended; and we should also like to know if everything is to be cheapened for them, why compensation allowance has been granted to Government servants in India.—*Capital.*

ECCLESIASTICAL CHANGES.

The Rev. G. H. Lewis, B. A., officiating as Chaplain of Byculla, was directed to revert to his substantive appointment as Chaplain of Ghorepuri, on return of the Rev. C. Mayhew from privilege leave.

The Rev. C. Mayhew, Chaplain of Byculla, returned from privilege leave and resumed charge of the Byculla Chaplaincy on the 15th July, 1895.

The Rev. H. N. Midwinter, M. A., officiating as Chaplain of Ghorepuri, was appointed Chaplain of Rajkote.

The Rev. H. Nelson, B. A., Chaplain of Aden, was appointed to officiate as Chaplain of Ahmedabad, vice the Rev. P. R. Harrison, granted three months' privilege leave from 24th August, 1895.

The Rev. Charles Mitchell Barham, B.A., was appointed a probationer Chaplain in the Bombay Ecclesiatical Establishment. Mr. Barham assumed charge of his duties as Chaplain of Aden on the 24th September, 1895.

The Rev. L. M. Haslope, M.A., Chaplain of Kirkee, has been appointed as Domestic Chaplain to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Bombay on his visitation tour, and the Rev. W. A. Dickens was appointed to officiate as Chaplain of Kirkee. Mr. Dickens returned from furlough on the 6th October, and assumed charge of his duties on the 8th October, 1895.

The Ven. Archdeacon A. Goldwyer-Lewis returned from privilege leave on the 12th October, 1895, and resumed charge of his duties on the forenoon of that date.

The Rev. Mr. Howard, recently appointed A. C. S. Chaplain at Bhusawal, has left that Station, having been appointed a Chaplain on the Ecclesiastical Establishment.

The Rev. James Duncan Ozanne has lately arrived to take charge of the A.C.S. Railway Chaplaincy at Parel. Mr. Ozanne was formerly Vicar of Holy Trinity, Congleton.

We understand that the Rev. Hugh T. Jacob, B.A. (Lon.), arrives immediately for work under the C.M.S., and will be stationed at Poona. Mr. Jacob is the son of Colonel G.A. Jacob.

We see it stated that the Rev. W. A. Roberts and the Rev. F. S. Macartney, Missionaries of the C.M.S., at present on furlough, return to Western India this cold season.

The Rev. Father J. W. Biscoe, S. S. J. E., having long suffered from broken health, left Bombay for Egypt, under medical advice, on the 7th November, on a probable absence of three months.

The Rev. Nehemiah Goreh, attached to the Mission of the Society of S. John the Evangelist, Panch Howds, Poona, died in Bombay on Tuesday, October 29th, aged 70 years.

The Rev. W. L. Nanson, formerly of the Panch Howds Mission at Poona, returned to India on October 24th, and has since proceeded to Calcutta to enter upon his appointment as Vice-Principal of the Bishop's College in that city.

The Rev. Father A. E. Tovey, S.S.J.E., arrived on October 24th to strengthen the Mission of the Society of S. John the Evangelist in India. Father Tovey is for the present stationed at Mazagon, Bombay, during the absence of Father Biscoe from India owing to ill-health; but it is understood that his ultimate destination is the Panch Howds Mission at Poona.

His Lordship the Bishop proposes to hold an Ordination at the Church of the Holy Name, at Panch Howds, Poona, on the 4th Sunday in Advent which the Rev. Brother Alban, O. S. P. of the Bombay Harbour Mission, is to be ordained to the priesthood.—"Diocesan Record".

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S S. S. IMPERATOR.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Imperator, Captain J. Nicolich, left Aden for Bombay on Tuesday morning, and is expected to arrive here on Monday morning next. She brings the following passengers from Trieste, Venice, and Brindisi :—

Alt, Major
Austen, Mr
Aolen, Rev J
Andessner, Miss M
Barr, Miss
Bland, Mrs
Bloech, Mr F O
Camermann, Miss K
Cleminson, Rev and Mrs R G
Cummins, Mr N M
Church, Mr and Mrs W P
Clark, Mrs
Dinter, Mr and Mrs R P
Feuberg, Mrs and Miss
Fergusson, Miss
Fradenek, Miss Frad von
Gaunt, Miss
Giles, Mr F
Gilka, General Consul H
Goldstein, Mrs
Gerlach, Mr J
Gierlings, Mr E
Goetze, Miss
Gloanini, Rev J G
Greiz, Mrs
Gordon-Leith Mr W E
Hickens, Mr and Mrs W
Hoffmann, Mr A
Koch, Miss
Kohn, Mr J
Kipp, Mr and Mrs W
Lange-Brull, Mr D
Lohmann, Mr M
Less, Mrs
Mackinham, Mrs D
MacDonald, Mrs
Maclure, Mr K
Marston, Miss
Nathan, Mr and Mrs S A
Noat, Mr and Mrs W C
Ottewill, Mr J
Pack, Mrs M
Politis, Mr M
Pateinien, Rev
Rimington, Mr and Mrs F C
Reid, Mr
Savola, Mr
Schutte, Mr O
Smidt, Mr
Scott, Mr W C
Shirving, Mr
Stoepel, Mr Ph
Stewart, Miss
Tata, Mr and Mrs R J
Thomson, Mr
Thumen, Mrs von
Teache, Mr O
Vincenti, Mrs von
Wallner, Capt
Walker, Mr and Mrs
Wiele, Mr and Mrs
Zietermann, Mr E

THE ITALIAN STEAMER SINGAPORE.

The following is the list of passengers per Italian steamer Singapore, Captain M. Saporite, sailing, to-day, at 7 a.m. :—

For Genoa.

Sister Anna
Mrs E H Elsworthy, and infant
Viscount and Viscountess D'Ourem
Mr and Mrs E Lapa and Infant
Mrs Sophie
Mr Alexander
Mr G Bartolo
Mr G Zibone
Captain J Rocha
Mr D Elvisa Feyo
Mr B Foster
Mr and Mrs H J Thomas
Mr E B Howe
Mr N Dolleplane
Mr G Rolando
Mr W German
Mr L Zanpetti
Mr J A Meldon

For Suez.—Mrs Anhalt.

For Port Said.

Mrs. S. Hariston. Miss Hariston.

For Aden.—Mr and Mrs Mahomed and 23 deck.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

The usual weekly meeting of the Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation was held, yesterday afternoon, Dr. Bhalchandra Krishna Bhatwadekar in the chair. There were also present: Mr. T. W. Cuffe, Mr. P. J. Fitzgibbon; Mr. R. H. Vincent; the Hon Mr. Javerilal Umiashanker Yajnik; Messrs. Fazulbhoy Visram; K. M. Shroff; Harkisondass Narotamdass, Abdulla M. Dharamsi; Ibrahim Rahimtulla; Dr. Cowasji Hormusji; and Dr. A. G. Viegas.

RETURN OF A FORMER MEMBER.

The chairman, at the outset, announced that a Government resolution had been received appointing Mr. R. H. Vincent a member in the place of Captain W. P. Walshe, resigned. The announcement was received with applause. Mr. Vincent, who was present at the meeting, was congratulated by the chairman and the members on his re-appointment after his return from home on three months' leave.

DEATH OF A MUNICIPAL AUDITOR.

The Committee next had a letter before them from the Municipal Secretary, reporting the death of Mr. Ardasir Framji Moos, one of the Municipal auditors, and stating that applications for the vacant appointment have been received from (1) Mr. A. F. Ferguson, Chartered Accountant; (2) Mr. Damodharrao Balcrishnajee; (3) Mr. James Douglas; (4) Mr. Vinayekrao Raghunath Navaiker; and (5) Chas. E. Nixon.

It was resolved to forward the letter to the Corporation, and to bring the matter before that board for consideration at their meeting to-day (Thursday) as a business of urgency.

THE MAZAGON SEWERAGE DISTRICT.

The Committee sanctioned the acceptance of the offer of Messrs. Sullemanji Mulla Abdulally and Co., for carrying out works in pipe sewers, man-holes, automatic flush-tanks, and metal vent-shafts in and for a portion of the Mazagon Sewerage District at rates 4 per cent. less than the office rates.

THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 1896-97.

The Committee next proceeded to consider the Budget Estimates for 1896-97. The following are the introductory remarks of the Commissioner :—

Opening Balance.—The opening balance is estimated at Rs. 18,90,000 after providing for all grants sanctioned and likely to be sanctioned for the year 1895-96. The details are as under :—

Estimated closing balance at page 5 of Budget for 1895-96		Rs. 17,01,135
Actual opening balance in excess of the estimated balance on 1st April 1895 (see pages 92 to 95 of the Administration Report for 1894-95) exclusive of value of reserve stock Rs. 9,14,283-10-7	Rs.	1,89,622
Revenue for 1895-96 better than estimate including sale of surplus land	Rs.	1,25,000
Savings on expenditure grants for 1895-96	Rs.	30,000
		Rs. 23,45,756
Deduct—Grants from cash balance sanctioned up to 1st Nov., 1895, exclusive of advances for Loan Works, Stock, &c.	Rs.	2,97,820-2-9
Add—Reserved for probable extra grants to end of the current finantial year	Rs.	1,60,935-13-3
	Rs.	4,58,756
Opening Balance 1896-97, including the one lakh required by law	Rs.	18,90,000

This balance of Rs. 18,90,000 is proposed to be utilized as follows :—

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balance of 19 lakhs, they should be in a position to bring the estimates of expenditure up to the level of those of revenue. Hitherto the practice has been to under-estimate revenue and over-estimate expenditure in the budget. But when they came to examine the actuals they found that the actual expenditure incurred was much below the estimate. The result was a net increase of income over expenditure. This mode of preparing estimates did not commend itself to the Standing Committee. The Committee was glad to find that Mr. Snow had so shaped his proposals as to bring them within Rs. 62,300 of the total income estimates. This sum was less than Rs. 1,25,000, the difference between the expenditure and income estimates of last year, and so far Mr. Snow deserved credit, but he still hoped that the Committee, in going through the budget, would see how without impairing efficiency, they would be in a position to bring the normal expenditure up to the level of the normal revenue.

INCOME.

The Committee then proceeded to consider the details of the income side of the budget. The balance at the beginning of the year was Rs. 18,90,000. The general tax at 8 per cent., and additional tax for Fire Brigade charges, including Rs. 8,970 from Port Trust and Rs. 5,787 from Government, were passed at Rs. 17,96,705 and Rs. 1,12,295, respectively; wheel tax and tolls at Rs. 3,60,000; town duties at Rs. 9,00,000; licenses at Rs. 88,450; receipts from Government for liquor licenses at Rs. 1,43,750; receipts from Government for tobacco at Rs. 1,89,500; halalkor tax at Rs. 6,58,000; water tax at Rs. 14,28,000; market receipts at Rs. 3,83,600; public gardens at Rs. 7,600; Tramway rent at Rs. 45,800; miscellaneous fines at Rs. 11,000; miscellaneous receipts at Rs. 1,25,000; miscellaneous fees at Rs. 82,800; miscellaneous savings at Rs. 3,500; contribution from Municipal servants towards pension fund, &c., at Rs. 18,000; actual profit on sale of stores to contractors, &c., at Rs. 3,000; sale proceeds of unserviceable tools and plants, articles, &c., at Rs. 5,000; interest and profit on investments of surplus loan and other balances at Rs. 150,000; interest on sinking and insurance funds, investments, &c., at Rs. 91,700; total at Rs. 65,55,709.

EXPENDITURE.

The Committee then commenced discussion of the expenditure side of the budget. On the application of Mr. Barrow, the Municipal Secretary, the Committee authorised him to engage the services of a junior clerk on Rs. 25 per mensem as the work in his department had been increasing of late. The expenditure for the Corporation and Standing Committee's establishment was passed at Rs. 57,148; Municipal Commissioner's personal office establishment was passed at Rs. 54,000; general office establishment at Rs. 35,672; accounts and expenditure audit establishment at Rs. 57,448; property and wheel tax establishment at Rs. 1,45,573; Port Trust and Railway (town duty) departments at Rs. 52,000; tolls collection at Rs. 1,890; licensing establishment at Rs. 28,196; revenue and refund audit office establishment at Rs. 25,096; Fire Brigade at Rs. 1,16,845; and public gardens at Rs. 62,273.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LICENCES.

It was proposed in the budget that an increase of Rs. 60 be made in the salary of the superintendent of licenses, and the Commissioner in recommending the same pointed out to the members of the Committee that the work of the department had been considerably increasing. Mr. Masters, the present incumbent of the post, was a very energetic and painstaking officer, and he (the Commissioner) would be glad if the proposed increase was passed.

Mr. K. M. Shroff said that a strong case had been made out, and consequently he proposed that the increase, as recommended by the Commissioner, should be granted.

The proposal was put to the vote, and carried by a majority of six against three votes.

SUPERINTENDENT OF GARDENS.

The Commissioner had recommended in the budget an increase of Rs. 50 per mensem to the superintendent of gardens, and when the item came on for sanction

Dr. Viegas objected to the increase being given to that officer, stating that he had once been censured in connection with the theft which had taken place at the Victoria Gardens.

Mr. Vincent said that he knew all about the theft, which had been investigated by his department, and he could say that the superintendent of the gardens was not censured by the Corporation. It was an offence committed by one of the subordinates of the superintendent.

The Municipal Commissioner spoke highly of the good work done by the superintendent, and strongly recommended the increase, stating that Mr. Acworth, when he first engaged that officer, promised him the increase if he discharged his duties satisfactorily.

Mr. Shroff and Dr. Cowasjee were of opinion that the officer was a man of high qualifications, and that the increase recommended ought to be given, especially as Mr. Acworth had promised it.

Mr. Ibrahim: You may then as well pay the amount promised by Mr. Acworth to Major Tulloch.

After some further discussion the proposed increase was sanctioned, Dr. Viegas being the only dissentient.

The Committee then adjourned.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Budrudin Tyabjee presided at a sitting of the court, and disposed of the following matters yesterday:—

RE HAJEE AYUB HAJEE ABDUL RAHIM.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, moved absolute a rule "nisi" granted on the 9th ult., calling upon the creditors to show cause why the order of adjudication should not be revoked. No creditor appeared to show cause, and the rule was made absolute.

RE SALEM BALKAJEE AND OTHERS.

Mr. Jeejeebhoy Mody, for a creditor, produced the certificate of the Clerk of the Court, stating that the insolvent had done nothing in the matter of his insolvency, and asked that the petition be dismissed.

His lordship, having looked at the certificate remarked that it was defective, and that he could not act upon it in consequence.

Mr. Mody said that the certificate was in the usual form granted by the Clerk of the Court.

His lordship granted leave for a renewal of the application on a proper certificate.

RE BURJORJEE LIMJEE BATLIBOI.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, moved for a rule "nisi," calling upon the creditors to show cause why the insolvent should not be allowed to withdraw his petition. The learned council stated that the insolvent had settled with all his creditors. His lordship granted a rule "nisi," making it returnable on the 11th proximo.

RE PRANJIVANDAS CULLIANDAS.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, moved absolute the rule "nisi" granted on the 15th January, 1894, calling upon the creditors to show cause why the order of adjudication should not be revoked; remarking that the insolvent had now succeeded in settling with all his creditors. His lordship made the rule absolute.

SCHOOL PRIZE-BOOKS.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—In distributing the prizes the other day, at the Godhra English school, Dr. John Pollen commented strongly on the ridiculous kinds of books sometimes selected as school prizes. They were either, he said, dry-as-dust school-books or some absurd treatise on the manners and customs of Europeans. He removed a book of the latter class from the prizes on the table, and substituted a book of poems from his own library. He had found the same kind of book as the one he objected to given out as a prize in the schools at Umarkot when he was Deputy Commissioner, Thar and Parkar, and had similarly repressed it. The book in question is entitled, "New Art of Polite Correspondence-" and contains, besides a collection of strange and effusive love letters of the style of the last century, such startling exemplars as letters from "A decayed citizen to an opulent Alderman who had been his acquaintance in his youth;" "From a girl of the town to be admitted into the Magdalen;" "From a person afflicted with dropsy to be admitted into Hospital;" "From a person afflicted with V. D. to be admitted into Locke Hospital;" "From a gentleman in poor circumstances to his tailor for a suit of clothes to enable him to appear decently," etc.

We agree with Dr. Pollen in thinking such a book hardly suitable for a school prize-book.

THE Secretary of State has ordered the payment to the Madras Railway Company of the sum of Rs. 51,770, being the Company's share of surplus profits for the half-year ended the 30th June last.

THE E. I. Railway earnings for the week ending 2nd November, were Rs. 11,04,340. Corresponding week last year, Rs. 8,80,052. Increase, Rs. 2,24,288. From 1st July, 1895, to 2nd November, 1895, Rs. 1,60,88,929. From 1st July, 1894, to 2nd November, 1894, Rs. 1,56,44,456. Increase, Rs. 4,44,473. Miles open, week ending 2nd November, 1895, 1,698·79. Corresponding week last year, 1,663·61. Increase, 35·18. Per mile open, week ending 2nd November, 1895, Rs. 650. Corresponding week last year, Rs. 529. Increase, Rs. 121.

SIR CHARLES PRITCHARD'S dates for the first portion of his tour are, on leaving Meerut:—Sukkur 12th November, Karachi 14th to 16th, Kotri 16th and 17th, Quetta whence he visits Chaman, 19th to 23rd, Jacobabad 24th.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE s. s. Ganges (extra) left Aden, at 8 p.m., on Tuesday, and may be expected to arrive in Bombay, at 9-30 a.m., on Monday next. Passengers will land at the Ballard Pier.

THE Gayen Utejak Mandali, i. e., the native philharmonic society, celebrates the twenty-fifth anniversary of its inauguration at the Novelty Theatre, on Sunday evening, the 24th instant. A recitation of songs by the members of the club will be followed by a dramatic representation and other amusements. A large number of guests have been invited in the name of the president, Mr. J. C. Cama, and members of the club.

WE learn that Bai Dinbai Nusserwanjee Petit has sent a cheque for Rs. 7,672, through Mr. Eduljee Dorabjee Talati, to Mr. Wood, the Assistant Collector and president of the Chowrassi Taluka Local Board, for the purpose of making a new road to the Tower of Silence of the Surat Padani Parsees. The road is to extend over a mile and a-half; and Bai Dinbai is to contribute a further, sum of Rs. 3,000 for its maintenance and repairs.

A GERMAN firm has obtained a concession for a railway from Teheran to Baghdad, and has thereby supplanted the scheme put forward in the first instance by Major-General Nixon, when Resident at Baghdad, for the line to be constructed with British capital.

THE Malakand Brigade is now complete, No. 8 Bengal Mountain Battery and the 31st Punjab Infantry having arrived and relieved the Hazara Battery and the 30th Punjab Infantry. Three 9-pounder guns for the posts have also been received. The sick men of British regiments, who were too ill to be moved when the Field Force was withdrawn, have now all been sent to India. One death from typhoid occurred towards the end of October, Sub-Conductor Woan of the Ordnance Department having succumbed to the disease. The cold weather has set in gradually along the Swat hills, a strong northerly wind blowing in the early part of the day. The troops are in good health and have sufficient work in camp to keep them fairly well employed.

A DISASTROUS fire occurred on Thursday night at Kasauli at the Hotel de France. The inmates retired to bed about 10 p.m. A little after 11 p.m. the manager was told by the chowkidar that the roof of the dining-room was burning. He at once took a bhistie up on to the roof, but the bhistie lost his footing and fell. The flames had by this time got such a hold that nothing could be done, so every effort was made to save the furniture, etc. The Depot men were quickly on the scene, and a good deal of property was rescued. The billiard-room, dining room, office, pantry, and some other small rooms were completely gutted. The line of buildings in which the soda-water factory is, was saved, by throwing the end walls of the main house inwards. About 3 a.m. the police arrived on the scene, and as the fire had then been confined to safe limits, the men of the Depot withdrew. It is a great pity that this pretty little station has no proper water-supply; no water was available and very little earth at hand.

THE European quarters in Srinagar at present look deserted, the majority of the visitors having left for the plains. The European officials have also left. The Resident, the Assistant Resident, and the Residency Surgeon have removed to their winter head-quarters at Sialkot. Mr. M. Nethersole, the Superintending Engineer, and Captain Kaye, the Settlement Commissioner, left on the 4th and 6th via Banihal and Poonch, respectively. The former is going on a tour to inspect the buildings and landed property of the State in British India.

IT is expected that there will be at least a score of starters in the Army Cup at Lucknow on the 21st instant. Shannon, Ploughboy, and Phiroz still stand at the top of the betting-lists at what are really ridiculously short odds considering the probably large field.

THE ties for the first round in the new tournament founded by the Punjab-Bengal Army Football Association have been drawn. They are to be played off on or before December 14th, drawn matches being decided before the 20th. Ties in the second round will be drawn on December 17th. The Association has began well, 23 regimental teams having entered. There are 13 byes in the first round.

AN earthquake, which was felt both in Nepal and Oudh, occurred at eight o'clock on the evening of the 6th instant. At Kokani, twelve miles from Khatmandu, only one shock, lasting a few seconds, was noticed. The motion was of a pendulum-like kind and no subterranean noise was heard. At Lucknow there were three distinct tremors, each of two or three seconds' duration. Reports show that the earthquake was distinctly felt as far east as Assam.

PREPARATIONS for the early departure of the Assam-Burma Railway survey party are now being actively pushed forward. The 350 Khasia coolies are collected at Margherita, whence the main portion of the survey party will make a start. Unfortunately there has been an outbreak of cholera, and eight per cent. of the coolies have already died. The escort composed of men of the Lakhimpur Battalion, Assam Military Police (100 men) have all left Dirbrugarh, 50 men under the command of Captain Little, going up the Noa Dihing River, via Sadiya, to Ndong, and the remainder being split up into small parties at Ndong, Nim-rang-nong's village, and Margherita. These men are guarding stores which have been already sent forward. Mr. Way arrives at Dibrugarh with Mr. McIntyre, C.E., on the 7th instant. Mr. Wallace, C.E., and Captain Swayne, Intelligence Officer, have already left for Margherita. Surgeon-Captain Hare has been carrying on Dr. Hafkine's inoculation experiments and so far they have met with success. More than half the Khasias were inoculated, and out of these only three have died, whereas among the remainder there have been 22 deaths. The party will probably halt a month or so at the top of the Patkoi Pass in order to explore along the outline of the range.

THE Brahmin, Swami Vivekananda, is delivering lectures on high Pantheism at Prince's Hall, Piccadilly, and is attracting large curious audiences. He told his English hearers that factories, mechanical engineers and books did less for mankind than half a dozen words spoken by Buddha or Christ.

THE *Turkistan Gazette* expresses the conviction that joining the Taskend line with the Ural and Great Siberian line will soon become an absolute necessity for Siberia and Turkistan. The journal points out that they differ so totally in their products that active commercial interchange is indispensable to them.

IT is reported from Erzeroum that disturbances, attended by serious bloodshed, have broken out at Erzingjan. Sixty Armenians are stated to have been killed. The Porte has addressed a circular to its representatives abroad, declaring that the outbreak was provoked by the Armenians. Advices from Aleppo announce serious trouble in the district of Marash. According to Turkish reports the Armenian population of the Zeitoun district recently attacked four Turkish villages and killed four soldiers. They are now concentrating in the mountains.

IT is rumoured among the natives that Mahomed Shah, a brother of Umra Khan, not being satisfied with his territory of Miskini, has made an alliance with the Khan of Nawagai against Mahomed Sharif of Dir, and has killed some frontier guards on the Dir border, while the people of several districts have refused to pay taxes to Nawagai at his instigation.

IT may be interesting to hear, a Paris correspondent says, that the Duchesne column which took the capital of the Hovas was entirely made up of fair men belonging to the Foreign Legion and French army. The dark men melted away in the ambulances. The fair men, who were from colder climates, withstood fever and heat. The first Baron Larrey noticed that Normans did better in Spain than Provençals, and that Provençals supported better the Russian climate than Normans.

A MODIFIED programme has been issued of the tour which Sir A. P. MacDonnell is going to make during this and next month. The new Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Provinces still keeps to his plan of visiting the least attractive part of his dominions first, but the dates and route have undergone some little alteration. Leaving Allahabad on Saturday next, Sunday will be spent at Mirzapur, and the following three days at Benares. Thence across the river to Ghazipur, Ballia, Jaunpur, Azimgarh, Gorakhpur, Basti, Gonda, Bahraich, and Fyzabad successively: and from Fyzabad a dak in by the Sultanpur-Pertabgarh road to Allahabad, which will be reached on the 18th December.

ON the 5th instant Sir Henry Brackenbury examined the post on the Malakand, work on which has been proceeding rapidly. It is described as already looking rather imposing as a fort and it will be absolutely impregnable to an enemy without artillery. On the 6th Sir Henry, accompanied by General Waterfield, inspected Chakdara, travelling there by tonga. He found the 29th Punjab Infantry more comfortably off than the troops on the Malakand, the smaller garrison having the advantage of a less exposed position. On the following day the Military Member went over the site for the new camp at South Malakand and left on the 8th for Nowshera.

A MOVEMENT is on foot in Paris, under the auspices of M. Milne-Edwards, to send out to Madagascar a scientific mission. A correspondent says: It is calculated that 24,000*l.* will be wanted, and it is hoped that M. Poincare and M. Hanotaux will find the money. They have received favourably a scheme drawn up by a committee, also formed under the auspices of M. Milne-Edwards, but the Chamber is to be consulted before anything more can be done. According to this scheme the general mission will be composed of fifteen or sixteen members, and be sub-divided into seven sectional missions of two members. There will be, for instance, two geologists to study the soil and sub-soils, two doctors to study the diseases peculiar to Madagascar, two mining engineers, two botanists, two surveyors, two ethnographists, and so on. The fauna, the human races, the varieties of climate, and the dialects of the island, will come within the scope of the mission.

IS it a breach of military regulations for a minister of an established Church, serving in the army as a private soldier, to hold a service in military uniform? A Paris correspondent says: The question could hardly arise in England, but we are in France, where the priest's immunity from manhood military service has quite recently been suppressed. It was rather a piece of Freethought intolerance, just as bad as Clerical intolerance, and the more egregious as the priests pressed into the service against the feelings of Catholics, Protestants, and Jews (the three religions being established in France) will be sent to the ambulances in case of war. The other day a young Catholic priest was confined to barracks for thirty days for celebrating Mass in uniform. But there appears to be no rule on the subject, as on Sunday a corporal in the infantry, a Protestant pastor, held a service and preached in uniform to his Protestant comrades and brethren in full uniform. It may be or not superstitious feeling, but nothing is more general than the feeling that a soldier priest is an absurdity, the exception of Saint Martin proving the rule.

WHAT is called "A Round Table Conference" has been opened by the Welsh magazine called "Young Wales." One of the Welsh members (Mr. Lloyd George) having in the same periodical expressed the opinion that Home Rule all round is the only project of Home Rule that can fairly hope to win the approval and adhesion of the British electorate, the subject of discussion is "the advisability of making Home Rule for Wales, as an integral part of a scheme for Home Rule all round, the leading item in our—that is, the Welsh—programme." The more prominent politicians who have been asked to contribute to the discussion answer warily. Mr. Gladstone writes: I view with sincere interest the course of public opinion in Wales, but I fear that any declaration of opinion from me on a question such as you have submitted would be more likely to cause embarrassment than advantage. Mr. Asquith says he has no title to intervene, and asks to be allowed to content himself with the part of an attentive spectator. Sir Henry Fowler says the future policy of the Welsh Liberals is a matter for their determination, and he is not prepared to express any opinion.

AN Italian correspondent at Spoleto writes a pleasant letter on that city and its Academy. Central Italy keeps up something of the monastic spirit in the form of its liberal scientific and artistic associations, which hold themselves free of political divisions, and take pleasure in assuming humorous names. The Academy of Spoleto, for example, is called, or calls itself, "of the obtuse;" that of Perugia, "the foolish;" Terin, "the ardent;" Citta di Castello, "the enlightened;" Sienna, "the rude;" Florence, "the dished-up;" Macerata, "the inept;" Arezzo, "the infamous;" Cortona, "the humorous;" Bologna, "the half-asleep;" &c., &c. At the last meeting of the Academy of the Obtuse at Spoleto, a lecture by a new member, Professor Finali, attracted a large number of cultivated persons from neighbouring towns. The most striking part of Finali's lecture was the connection he sought to establish between the Divine Comedy of Dante and the paintings of Giotto. Every picture by Giotto, he asserts, is an illustration of one of Dantes terzettes. Not only this, but the lecturer argued that Columbus found, in the Divine Comedy, the way pointed out for the discovery of the New World.

KING GEORGE OF GREECE is again expected in Paris. He has (a correspondent says) many good reasons for wishing to be on friendly terms with the French Government. France is ready to lend Bizerta to Russia for a naval station. If Russia availed herself of this accommodation, the Piræus would no longer be the haven of the Russian Mediterranean squadron, to the great detriment of the Athenian shopkeepers. Nothing could have been more friendly than the personal relations of King George with President Faure and the chief members of his Cabinet.

A WILD beast tamer at Belfort, who wished to dispose of his menagerie, has just had it sold by auction. The highest price given for any one animal was 650 francs, which was paid for a very fine lion. A lion cub which had been reared by hand fetched 280 francs, and was carried away from the auction by the lady who had purchased it. A large lioness, mother of the cub, was sold for 520, and a black panther for only 100 francs, the value merely of the skin. The only bear belonging to the menagerie went for 350 francs, and was bought by a furrier to be killed.

THE two well-known brigands, the brothers Fratarolo, paid a visit a few days ago to the country house of a rich squire, at Vico Garganico, near Foggia. The squire, who happened to be on the point of departure, and whose horse was already saddled, was not overjoyed at the sight of the brigands, but dared not offend them. They, however, spoke to him very politely, begging him not to be afraid of them, and saying they were the same as other men. After having lunched with the brigands and offered them cigars, the squire handed them a note of one hundred francs, which, however, they refused, contending that they were not robbers, but that they went about the country trying to avenge themselves on their enemies. When their host took his departure on horseback, the brothers offered to accompany him part of the way, which they did mounted on their mules. The squire was not sorry, as may be imagined, to see the last of them.

SPECIAL attention is being given by the French military authorities to the question of succouring the wounded on battlefields when night comes on after a great battle. Experiments have been made with powerful electric arc lights, but the apparatus has been pronounced cumbrous and practically unavailable under the contemplated condition. At length it has been practically determined that the ambulance corps men shall wear little incandescent glow-lamps in their hats, just like the ladies of the ballet in a spectacular extravaganza. Each man is to carry a little primary battery in his pocket for the production of the current. The wounded in need of succour will look out for the little moving lights, and if possible drag themselves towards them.

FONSECA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I take the following extract from the speech of John Philpot Curran, Esq., in defence of Lady Pamela Fitzgerald and her infant children at the bar of the House of Commons in Ireland:—Mr. Curran having gone into many reasons to prove the impolicy of severe penal laws, "inter alias" said:—"They have ever been found more to exasperate than to restrain; where the infliction is beyond the crime, the guilt is lost in the horror of the punishment, the sufferer becomes an object of commiseration, and the injustice of the State of public odium. It was well observed, that in England the highwayman never murdered because there the offender was not condemned to torture! but in France, where the offender was broken on the wheel, the traveller seldom or never escaped! What is it in England that sends the traveller home with life, but the comparative mildness of English law? What but the merciless cruelty of the French law, that gives the atrocious aggravation of murder to robbery? The multiplication of penal laws lessens the value of life, and when you lessen the value of life, you lessen the fear of death. Look to the history of England upon this subject with respect to treason; notwithstanding all its formidable array of death, of Saxon forfeiture, and of feudal corruption of blood, in what country do you read of more treasons or of more rebellions? And why? Because these terrors do not restrain the traitor. Beyond all other delinquents he is likely to be a person of that ardent, enthusiastic, and intrepid spirit that is roused into more decisive and desperate daring by the prospect of peril.

Mr. Yorke thinks the child of the traitor may be reclaimed to his loyalty by the restitution of his estate. Mr. Yorke might have perhaps reasoned better if he had looked to the still greater likelihood of making him a deadly enemy to the State, by the deadly ignominy inflicted on his father, and by the loss of his inheritance.

How keenly did Hannibal pursue his vengeance which he had sworn against Rome? How much more enthusiastically would he have pursued his purpose, had that oath been taken upon a father's grave! For the avenging of a father's sufferings! for the avenging of what he would have called a father's wrongs."

I am positively certain that Government by allowing the extreme penalty of the law to be carried out in Fonseca's case will make the law itself and object of public horror. As it is Fonseca has already enlisted widespread commiseration in his behalf by reason of his guilt being not proved to the hilt. Whatever may be the law of circumstantial evidence it has been proved by your correspondents by numerous striking examples beyond a shadow of doubt that it is extremely unjust and dangerous to secure convictions on such evidence. Both history and fiction furnish us with numerous instances which show the danger of giving undue weight to circumstantial evidence, especially in a case where the life of a fellow creature is at stake. I think the public would be making a sorry mistake if it does not unanimously protest against a sentence of which there is no saying that it may not one day be proved to be unjustly inflicted, and if so proved there will be no chance for making any reparation to the unfortunate victim.—Yours, &c.,

TRUTH.

THE SOCIAL CONFERENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Owing to the controversy about the location of the coming Social Conference, the main issues to be discussed at the gathering have been so much misrepresented to those to whom three R's are not accessible, that in families where there is a compound of reaction and progress, domestic felicity has been jeopardised to a considerable extent. Taken the programme for discussion as a whole, there is nothing much to be afraid of so far as Government interference is concerned, but there are several novel items which are revolting to the extreme, namely, shaving of widows' heads, &c. Really, the promoters of the Conference should see the utter absurdity of incorporating that item in the programme is what passes my comprehension. In advanced communities this institution has been on the eve of anachronism, and such others who deem this desirable reform to be achieved should devote their energies to their respective spheres. What is caste in India! This is a complex web of thousands of communities, which would take cycles of ages for distant Britishers to know. The Conference is not at all an engine for harm as is supposed in some quarters. It is merely a winding-up to show that reformers do their duty.—Yours, &c.,

M. N. W.

WINDWARD'S RETURN TO THE THAMES.

SOME details are given in the Home papers of the arrival of the Windward. Here is an account of Mr. Jackson's experiences:—

Writing of Franz Josef Land, Mr. Jackson says:—The whole country is covered with a perpetual ice sheet, only interrupted at long intervals along the coast by lofty basaltic cliffs, having a steep talus of loose stones and soil. On this are found many sedges, mosses, and Arctic flowering plants, which form a contrast to the snow-covered slopes above as striking as it is pleasant. The country generally is well elevated, attaining an average height of 2,500 feet above the sea. One of the most interesting facts connected with the coast is the number of old sea beaches, some of them being as high as 120 feet above the present shore.

In this first march, but especially during the second journey northward, Mr. Jackson proved that our knowledge of the southern part of Franz Josef Land is on the whole very inaccurate. The careful map which he has been able to make not only reveals land in Austria Sound unnoticed by Payer, but also gives a very different character to the coast lines as laid down in the maps of the Austrian Expedition. As a matter of fact, it seems that Mr. Jackson has followed a route of his own, only coming at intervals into connexion with that which Payer pursued twenty years ago, and he writes:—"We have entirely altered the map and character of a great portion of Franz Josef Land, and have found a sea and islands where mainland was supposed to exist. We have also carefully mapped Markham Sound, and, of course, laid down our route to the furthest point we reached, 81deg. 20min. north. Markham Sound and the country further north are totally different from what Payer's map represents them to be, and the character of the small portion of Zichy Land, which borders on Markham Sound, is absolutely unlike the description puplished in the narrative of the Austro-Hungarian Expedition. Moreover, the mountains which figure in that work cannot be observed even on the clearest day."

In this journey north Mr. Jackson was able to take with him not only a sufficient quantity of stores to form three well-equipped depots, but he actually succeeded in depositing as far north as 81 deg. 21min. two boats for use at the latter end of the summer.

Many observations for latitude and longitude were taken to fix the positions during the journey, and a number of most interesting geological specimens were collected from those rocks which were not covered with ice. The formation proved almost entirely basaltic.

The second journey began in April and terminated in the middle of May. During the greater part of the time the weather was most tempestuous, and the thermometer frequently fell to fifty below zero. Under these circumstances, heavily laden as the members of the exploring party were, it is wonderful that they should have made such progress over rough ice as they eventually accomplished. Moreover, towards the end of the journey, the ice became very broken up, for it must be remembered that they were travelling over the frozen surface of a sea, and that the ponies had frequently to be hauled bodily out of the crevasses which at every few yards yawned across their track. Deep morasses of sand and slush also now appeared, forming treacherous pitfalls, and causing many delays to the progress of the party. Nevertheless, the health of the explorers in no way suffered, and they were able to make many new discoveries of great importance.

In the last letter written previous to the departure of the ship for England, Mr. Jackson speaks most enthusiastically of the prospects of the journey which he was about to make north in the Mary Harmsworth. A number of the most interesting photographs have been sent back by the Windward, together with such trophies of the winter sojourn in the Arctic as Polar bear skins, walrus tusks, and the like.

It appears that the expedition is now probably at higher latitude than has ever before been reached. "Jackson is the man to do it, you know," said Mr. Montefiore, the secretary of the expedition.

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THE ANCESTRY OF SHAKESPEARE.

So little is known of the genealogy of Shakespeare, that the information contained in the following letter published in the *Times* of October 14th will not fail to attract universal attention and interest. The writer, Mr. J. Pym Yeatman, says:—

Whilst collecting material for the pedigree of the Griffin or Griffith family for my History of Derbyshire, I accidentally discovered a fact which followed up, has led to the discovery of the ancestry of William Shakespeare.

But very little hitherto has been known, although many eminent genealogists have endeavoured to discover the origin of his family, and several possible, but as it turns out erroneous, pedigrees have been foisted upon him. All that was really known was that his father, John Shakespeare, who in his day filled the highest civic offices in Stratford-on-Avon was the son of one Richard Shakespeare of Snitterfield, an adjoining village, to whose personalty John Shakespeare administered about the year 1560.

William Shakespeare himself must be held, at least, to be morally responsible for the statements contained in the petition by John, his father, to Heralds' College for a confirmation of arms in 1601, from which it appears that he had but little accurate information to give to the Heralds, the record merely reciting that for good services in his wars King Henry VII. had rewarded his great—grandfather with a grant of land in Warwickshire; but no particulars of place, and even the name of the soldier is not given. Still there is in the fact that for four generations the family were located in Warwickshire some certain ground to go upon. The only place in which it would appear that this family had land was at Wroxall, and in 16 Henry VIII. one Richard Shakespeare was assessed for land there. In the following subsidy, 38 Henry VIII., there were no landowners, but no less than three William Shakespeares in that place were taxed for goods. Richard of 20 years previously was then dead, or more probably he had removed to Snitterfield, for five years earlier Robert Arden of Wilmecote had leased land to Richard Shakespeare at that place, and subsequently John (the poet's father) married Robert Arden's daughter. The question then arises, can Richard Shakespeare of Snitterfield be proved to be descended from the Shakespeares of Wroxall? Now I found at Northampton, from the will of Francis Griffin of Braybrook, dated 37 Henry VIII., that he had a sister, one Alys Shakespeare, and she can be identified negatively by a process of exhaustion as the wife of Richard Shakespeare, who with her joined the Guild of Knowle, 16 Henry VIII. That guild also contains the names of many other members of the families of Shakespeare and Griffin, with their wives, from about the year 1460, when the register begins, to the dissolution. The Shakespeares were located in various places in the Forest of Arden, the later members being at Rowenton and Wroxall, and the Griffins were located in the same places and some at Fenny Compton and Hardwick Priors. No other Shakespeare had a wife named Elizabeth at this period. Like William Shakespeare's ancestor, many of the Wroxall and Rowenton Shakespeares were archers, and in a muster roll of 28 Henry VIII. there are four mentioned, amongst them William and Richard of Wroxall. About the same date Richard Shakespeare was bailiff of the Priory of Wroxall, whilst several members of the family were high in office there. The Lady Isabella Shakespeare is recorded as prioress in the 4th of Edward IV., and the Lady Johanna Shakespeare was sub-prioress in 1525, evidently a long established and respectable family who might be expected to bear coat armour.

SHAKESPEARE AND SHALLOW.

Now the connection between Wroxall Priory and the Griffin family is quite clear and direct. The Griffins were patrons or advocates of the priory in succession to the Latimers and their ancestors, and had granted lands and rents to it out of their manor of Cheping Warden, on the borders of the county, which adjoins both Fenny Compton and Hardwick Priors. Thomas Griffin, of Fenny Compton, brother of the before mentioned Francis, is found associated with the Shakespeares at Knowle, and his son-in-law, Thomas A'Wood, of Hasely (where also Richard Shakespeare, the poets grandfather, held land), left to that Richard Shakespeare a legacy of a yoke of four oxen then in his possession at that place. The Heralds in the Visitation of Herts in 1634 confirmed the right of the Fenny Compton Griffins to bear the arms of Griffin of "Dingley," the ancestors of the Lord Griffin of that family, and they were identical with the Braybrook family, Sir Edward Griffin of Braybrook, who had been Attorney-General of Queen Mary, obtaining that manor, as well as land at Hardwick Priors and Fenny Compton, at the dissolution of monasteries. The connection between William Shakespeare, the poet, and the Griffins can be shown from the wills and charters of their common relations, the Coombs, Reynolds, Blounts, Throckmortons, and Lucys—yes, William Shakespeare was a humble cousin of Justice Shallow, and therefore doubtless felt his conduct more intolerable in making what the hot-headed young man had doubtless regarded as lawful sport—namely, the hunting of deer in the Outlaw's park at Oxbrook—a crime; and what is there more natural and more likely than that the descendant of the foresters and archers of Wroxall should love venery and be skilful in the art? Do not his plays evince a thorough knowledge and the keenest appreciation of it?

But if the poet derived his love of hunting from his forefathers, it is very probable that he gained his refinement and great intellectual gifts from his grandmother's race; they were a great and noble family, descended directly from the ancient Kings of North Wales. Shakespeare himself, in "Macbeth," records their connection with the Stuarts; Balquo's son Fleance, according to the tradition (as Shakespeare gives it), becoming the ancestor of the first Stuart of Scotland, by the daughter (Gweuta) of Griffin, Prince of Wales. Shakespeare has been charged with disgraceful flattery of King James in writing this play; rather was he unostentatiously recording traditions of his own family, which he may have heard from their lips, and which at that period, probably, were little known.

A very interesting fact, which again may have had a deep influence upon the young poet's mind, was that Bartholomew Griffin, the poet (a first cousin of Alys Shakespeare), who had an annuity from Sir Edward Griffin, resided at Coventry, and must have been well known to him; indeed, they were so closely associated that their poems were intermixed, several of Griffin's sonnets having been printed as the work of "W. Shakespeare" by the pirate publishers of the period.

The will of Edmund Griffin, of Long Itchington, near Coventry (a nephew of Alice Shakespeare) mentions a William Shakespeare, doubtless of the Wroxall family.

It would take too much space to enumerate all the facts in proof of this connection. This outline is, I think, sufficient to indicate that the history of the Griffin family supplies that of the ancestry of our greatest poet. It would seem very probable, the writer concludes, that the uncertain legend given to Herald's College in 1601 was postdated, and that the grant of land at Wroxall was earlier than it was then supposed; possibly it was made and the services were rendered during the wars of the Roses; and this would account for the family being located at Wroxall so much earlier, and also for the failure to find the Royal grant, which I understand has been searched for in vain. Most of the public records of this troublous period have been lost, so that a search is useless. The grant may, indeed, have been made out of the King's ancient demesne, and it is to be feared that all the King's demesne records have also perished; possibly, however, the grant was made in the name of Shakestaffe, Richards Shakespeare of Snitterfield having been so named in one of the Court Rolls of the College of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of Warwick, 20-22 Henry VIII., during which period he was fined for non-suit of service, probably whilst he still resided at Wroxall.

A REJOINDER.

The Rev. H. P. Stokes of Cambridge, on October 14th, commenting on Mr. Yeatman's letter said:

The writer asserts that he has found the names of the paternal grandmother of the poet.

He tells us that the "Alys Shakespeare" mentioned in the will he has discovered was the wife of Richard Shakespeare, of Wroxall, and that this Richard was the same as Richard Shakespeare, of Snitterfield, the grandfather of the dramatist.

The first of these statements does not accord with the will of Thomas Shakespeare, son of Richard, of Wroxall (printed fifty years ago by Mr. Joseph Hunter, in his "Illustrations of Shakespeare," vol. I., p. 10), where the name of the said Richard's wife is seen to be Margaret, not Alice.

And the second statement does not agree with the facts that when the one Richard was living at Wroxall in the 26th year of Henry VIII. his namesake was resident at Snitterfield (see Mr. J. O. Halliwell-Phillipp's "Life of Shakespeare," 7th Edition, vol, ii., p. 207).

Thus Mr. Yeatman's links are broken; and we are still ignorant of the names of Shakespeare's paternal grandmother, as we are of the similar relative on his mother's side.

NOT long ago we intimated that Monsieur Henri Rousseau, a philanthropist of Paris, had remitted a sum of money for distribution to the native poor of British India. The Punjab share of Monsieur Rousseau's gift, amounting to some Rs. 600, is to be distributed to the leper asylums in the Province and the poor-houses at Lahore and Amritsar.

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The Hon. Alicia Amherst, a daughter of Lord Amherst of Hackney, has written a work on the history of gardening in England, which Mr. Quaritch will publish. She gives a sketch of the progress of gardening in this country from the earliest times, and numerous gardens still in existence are cited as examples of successive fashions. Many old records are quoted, and in some cases printed from the originals for the first time. There will be over sixty illustrations of gardens reproduced from manuscripts, engravings, sketches, and photographs.

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SIR,—Adverting to your letter of the 22nd instant, enclosing an Advertisement (apparently taken from some Indian newspaper) relating to "Dr. Bright's Phosphodyne," I am directed to inform you that the Comptroller does not find that the combination of devices (Locomotive, Ship, Royal Arms, &c.), with those words (and others), appearing in the Advertisement, has been registered at this office in the Class (Class 5) to which Medicines for human use belong; and the word "Phosphodyne" **has not been so Registered EXCEPT IN YOUR NAME.** The official number of your registration of the label with Hercules and the Lion and the words "Dr. Lalor's Phosphodyne or Vital Elixir" is 5317, and its date is 3rd May, 1876; your registration of the word "Phosphedyne" by itself, as an "**OLD**" **Trade Mark**, is numbered 13537, and is of date 26th October, 1877.

The Comptroller will be happy to afford you any further assistance in his power in connection with the matter.

I am, Sir, your obedient Servant,

(Signed) **W. J. F. TOMLINSON.**

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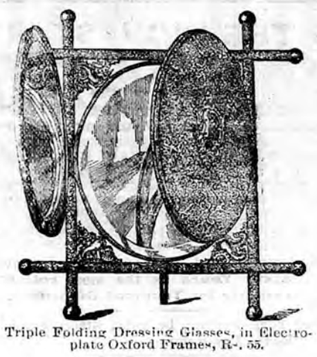

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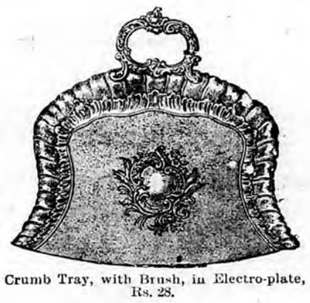

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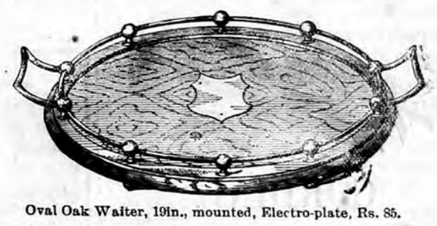

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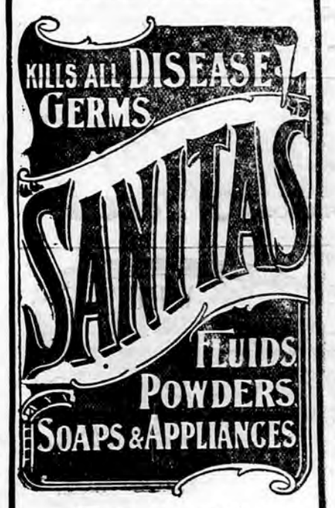

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